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**Annual Reports**  
of the  
**Town Officers**  
of the  
**TOWN OF ATHOL**



**For the Year Ending December 31,  
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ATHOL, MASS.  
Athol Printing Co., 214 Exchange St.  
1936



# Town Officers

## For the Municipal Year 1935

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### Elected Officers

#### MODERATOR

William G. Lord	Term expires 1936
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#### TOWN CLERK

Walter E. Farnum	Term expires 1938
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#### SELECTMEN

George W. Grant, Chairman	Term expires 1936
Warren C. Karner	Term expires 1937
Howard W. Cooke	Term expires 1938
William K. Wheeler Clerk of Selectmen	

#### ASSESSORS

Everett Sawyer, Chairman	Term expires 1937
Herbert S. Goddard, Clerk	Term expires 1938
John F. Hayden	Term expires 1936

#### HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

James G. Cotton	Term expires 1936
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#### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Daniel Hayden, Chairman	Term expires 1936
R. Burton Waterman, Agent	Term expires 1937
James G. Sisson	Term expires 1938

## TREASURER

Charles W. Faulkner	Term expires 1936
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## COLLECTOR OF TAXES

John F. Hayden	Term expires 1936
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## SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Everett Sawyer, Chairman	Term expires 1936
Emmett L. Worrick, Clerk and Supt.	Term expires 1938
Frank P. Hall	Term expires 1937

## CONSTABLES

Herbert S. Goddard	Term expires 1936
Harry S. Stoddard	Term expires 1936
George V. Henrich	Term expires 1936

## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS

C. Stanley Newton	Term expires 1936
Ralph O. Brooks	Term expires 1938
David B. Coolidge	Term expires 1937

## TREE WARDEN

Harold E. Bacon	Term expires 1936
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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Everett E. Jackman, Chairman	Term expires 1937
Webb R. Avery	Term expires 1936
Frank W. Wilson	Term expires 1936
J. Clarence Hill	Term expires 1937
James F. Cuddy	Term expires 1938
Raymond Fessenden	Term expires 1938

Leon M. Farrin, Clerk of School Committee

(Succeeded by George S. Goodell, July 1, 1935)



## WATER COMMISSIONERS

E. Warren Tyler, Chairman	Term expires 1938
Frank P. Hall, Clerk and Supt.	Term expires 1937
Frank L. Thayer	Term expires 1936

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Frank W. Fuller, Chairman	Term expires 1937
Marion B. Sibley, Clerk	Term expires 1936
Stanley B. Lyman	Term expires 1938

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Frank E. Weaver, Chairman	Term expires 1937
Arline H. Bond, Clerk	Term expires 1938
David Findlay	Term expires 1936
Janetta G. McGregor	Term expires 1936
Pauline C. Allison	Term expires 1937
Robert L. Dexter	Term expires 1938

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Frederick H. Lee, Chairman	Term expires 1936
Richard W. Waterman, Clerk and Treasurer	Term expires 1938
Ralph O. Brooks	Term expires 1937
William D. Starrett	Term expires 1939
Robert L. Dexter	Term expires 1940

## PARK COMMISSIONERS

Robert T. Lincoln, Chairman	Term expires 1936
William H. Killay, Clerk	Term expires 1938
William A. Spooner	Term expires 1937

## PLANNING BOARD

William E. Nemo, Chairman	Term expires 1938
D. Bruce Findlay	Term expires 1936
*William H. Killay	Term expires 1936
Ralph W. Drury	Term expires 1937
Nelson A. Lafleur	Term expires 1937

\*Mervin Kessler was chosen Oct. 9, 1935 to succeed William H. Killay, resigned

# Appointed Officers and Committees

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Abner F. Towne, Chairman	Term expires 1937
Dennis C. Collins, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1936
George M. Dodge, Clerk	Term expires 1937
Edward F. Carroll, Asst. Clerk	Term expires 1938
Winfield H. Brock	Term expires 1936
Charles W. Colburn	Term expires 1936
C. Clifford Wood	Term expires 1936
Jared P. McClumpha	Term expires 1936
Edward S. French	Term expires 1937
Francis A. Reynolds	Term expires 1937
John W. Barker	Term expires 1937
Carl S. Carlson	Term expires 1938
William H. Mills	Term expires 1938
Richard Mullen	Term expires 1938
A. William Plotkin	Term expires 1938

## MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE

Emmett L. Worrick	George W. Grant	Warren C. Karner
Howard W. Cooke	Samuel G. Hosmer	John F. Hayden
Louis W. Freeman		

## TRANSPORTATION AREA TRUSTEES

Ralph D. Sutherland	Term expires 1937
E. Warren Tyler	Term expires 1938
Joseph R. Linehan	Term expires 1936

## TOWN SOLICITOR

William S. Duncan	Term expires March 1, 1936
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

William K. Wheeler                      Term expires October 31, 1936

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

\*Leon M. Farrin

\*George S. Goodell was appointed July 1, 1935,  
in place of Leon M. Farrin, resigned

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Under Civil Service  
William D. Mellen

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

John H. Meany, V. S.

INSPECTOR OF MILK

Thomas S. Dillon

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Clarence E. Vaughn                      Harry Bray

FENCE VIEWERS

William G. Lord                      Harry F. Hastings

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

William D. Mellen                      Harry F. Hastings  
Howard M. Hayden

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

Harry F. Hastings                      Herbert E. LaClair

SURVEYOR OF SHINGLES

Anton Olson

ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

John J. Killay

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Jared P. McClumpha, John W. Campbell, Cornelius Quinlan, Robert H. Grover, Pauline J. Rogers, Walter Emmett, Joseph W. Rogers, G. Spencer Thrower

BURIAL AGENT

William G. Lord

INSPECTOR OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Louett E. Hill

ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE AND KEEPER OF LOCKUP

Patrick J. Murphy

CAPTAIN OF POLICE UNDER CIVIL SERVICE

Earl H. Grimes

PATROLMEN UNDER CIVIL SERVICE

William J. Callahan, Harold L. Gibbs, William R. Horri-  
gan, Joseph T. McInerney, Patrick J. Murphy

RESERVE POLICE UNDER CIVIL SERVICE

James D. Mellen, Anthony L. Lashenske, Francis G. Wal-  
ker, Samuel J. Boudreau

SPECIAL POLICE

David Fitzgibbon, Andrew C. Bigelow, Charles G. Wheel-  
er, Jameson L. Halbert, Francis X. Dufault, Pio Maroni,  
Elmer E. Bevis, Leonard G. Hallquist, Orie W. Hager,  
George A. Wilbur, Martin L. Gerhard, Leon E. Pratt,  
Amil Simmington, Edward N. Horrigan, Eugene C. Tandy,  
Emil Pichette, Francis P. Pearson, Felix Pierszalowski,  
Franklin W. Caldwell, Henry A. Thompson, Swen A. Nel-  
son

POLICE SURGEON

Francis X. Dufault, M. D.

DOG OFFICER  
William J. Callahan

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Ernest L. Smith

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEFS  
Ira J. Dower Theodore E. Schmidt

FOREST FIRE WARDEN  
Ernest L. Smith

LOCAL MOTH SUPERINTENDENT  
Martin L. Gerhard

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICER  
William R. Colton

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN  
Joseph A. Smith, M. D.

SCHOOL NURSE  
Miss Grace E. MacKenzie

DISTRICT NURSE  
Mrs. Louise S. Hatstat

COMMITTEE FOR BI-CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE  
William G. Lord, Chairman; Arline H. Bond, Albert A. Brouillet, Alfred H. Brown, Fred P. Bulman, Edith M. Cooke, David B. Coolidge, Rev. Michael J. Curran, Robert L. Dexter, Leon M. Farrin, Evelyn A. Fuller, Joseph A. Garbarino, Rev. Daniel I. Gross, John W. Haven, J. Clarence Hill, Alexander P. Johnstone, Frederick H. Lee, Stanley B. Lyman, Henry A. Miller, Ruby M. Moore, Patrick J. Murphy, Isadore Plotkin, Arthur H. Starrett, Julia N. Sutherland, Anthony Tamason, Bertha L. Tyler  
(Appointed under Article 33 of the warrant for  
1935 Annual Town Meeting)



## ELECTION OFFICERS

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**Precinct No. One**

Warden—Charles H. Foster

Clerk—Edward H. Horrigan

Inspectors—Lyndon H. Noyes, Harold P. Benson, Howard  
M. Hayden, George H. Hayden

Deputy Warden—C. Clifford Wood

Deputy Clerk—John V. Cooke

Deputy Inspectors—Philip S. Perley, Ernest W. Haskins,  
Richard F. O'Neill, Bertram E. Dugan

**Precinct No. Two**

Warden—Clarence E. King

Clerk—Homer W. Tunncliffe

Inspectors—William D. Mellen, Oliver E. Lange, Louis W.  
Freeman, Earl R. Duley

Deputy Warden—John W. Killay

Deputy Clerk—William J. Kittredge

Deputy Inspectors—Franklin W. Caldwell, C. Eugene  
Tandy, William B. Sullivan, Alexander Shaw, Jr.

**REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

John W. Donovan, Chairman	Term expires 1936
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Clarence C. Pierce	Term expires 1937
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Arthur B. Perkins	Term expires 1938
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Walter E. Farnum, Clerk	Term expires 1938
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**JURY LIST**

The Selectmen have designated the following named persons for jury service, as required by Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws.



**Precinct 1**

Name	Occupation
Aiken, Kenneth I.	L. S. S. Co.
Allen, Leon C.	L. S. S. Co.
Bacon, Elwin T.	Painter
Ball, Gerald S.	U. T. D. Co.
Barker, John W.	Clergyman
Bassett, Lester G.	Printer
Bennett, Frederick J.	U. T. D. Co.
Blakley, Walter A.	Bookkeeper
Briggs, Harry F.	Woodworker
Briggs, Leslie W.	U. T. D. Co.
Burnham, George L.	Laborer
Butterworth, Charles F.	Sawmill Operator
Cadrett, Harold A.	U. T. D. Co.
Cameron, Alexander W.	L. S. S. Co.
Cannon, John	U. T. D. Co.
Card, Walter E.	Merchant
Carey, Duncan A.	L. S. S. Co.
Carney, Bartholomew J.	L. S. S. Co.
Casavant, Clifford D.	Athol Mfg. Co.
Christianson, Carl G.	Plumber
Colson, Edwin E.	A. G. and E. Co.
Comstock, Roy E.	U. T. D. Co.
Cooke, John V.	Accountant
Cooke, Oliver D.	Farmer
Coolidge, David B.	Farmer
Cramer, William E.	Clerk
Crawford, Ralph W.	L. S. S. Co.
Cutter, Alfred S.	N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.
Daniels, Charles W.	Farmer
Dennis, Harry E.	Fireman
Deyo, Herbert H.	Painter
Dill, Clarence H.	Grocer
Duto, Frank	L. S. S. Co.
Farnum, Howard G.	Filling Station Oper.

Findlay, David	Manufacturer
Fisher, Cedric E.	Athol Mfg. Co.
Forrest, Melvin L.	L. S. S. Co.
Fuller, Forrest C.	Woodworker
Gage, Robert L.	Insurance Agent
Gerry, Harry A.	Machinist
Goddard, Elmer J.	T. of A. Highway
Goddard, Henry D.	Laborer
Gould, Chester N.	Merchant
Graham, Chester	Draftsman
Grover, George E.	Factory Superintendent
Hamilton, Clarence D.	Florist
Hannigan, T. Francis	Salesman
Harris, Henry E.	Salesman
Hood, James H.	Shoe Worker
Johnstone, Alexander P.	Y. M. C. A. Sec.
Lindsay, Norman M.	L. S. S. Co.
MacKnight, Perley G.	L. S. S. Co.
McIntosh, Adelbert W.	Truck Driver
Miller, Henry A.	Mechanic
Paige, Timothy	Civil Engineer
Reed, Charles M.	Salesman
Rich, Jasper D.	L. S. S. Co.
Rich, Karl W.	Clerk
Rolland, William E.	Clerk
Smith, Myron A.	U. T. D. Co.
Twichell, Nathaniel H.	Mason
Wall, Gardiner T.	Mechanic

### Precinct 2

Aldrich, Frederick J.	L. S. S. Co.
Allen, Ashel L.	L. S. S. Co.
Almquist, Clarence V.	O. J. P. Co.
Bacon, Harold E.	Wilcox Co.
Bailey, Warren M.	L. S. S. Co.
Baker, Edward E.	U. T. D. Co.
Balcom, Carroll S.	Clerk

Ball, Clayton W.	L. S. S. Co.
Battles, Forrest E.	Shoe Worker
Beeching, Henry L.	U. T. D. Co.
Benson, Harry E.	Machinist
Bigwood, Clifton G.	L. S. S. Co.
Blanchard, Arnold K.	Shoe Cutter
Bragg, Victor R.	Shoe Cutter
Brock, Francis H.	L. S. S. Co.
Caldwell, Franklin W.	Engineer
Cardin, Harvey L.	Shoe Worker
Carney, John W.	U. T. D. Co.
Carroll, Edward F.	Bookkeeper
Casella, M. Anthony	Civil Engineer
Cathcart, Robert B.	U. T. D. Co.
Clark, Clarence H.	Clerk
Codding, Leo N.	Truckman
Cody, Stephen J.	Brick Mason
Collins, George D.	Laborer
Cotton, Frederick E.	Janitor
Craig, Arthur J.	Engineer
Drury, Clarence A.	Laborer
Drury, George A.	U. T. D. Co.
Duley, Earl R.	U. T. D. Co.
Dwyer, Philip J.	L. S. S. Co.
Ecklund, Harold E.	Clerk
Emmett, Arthur F.	Clerk
Evans, Perley E.	Shoe Worker
Faulkner, William G.	Rubber Goods Mfr.
Fitch, Courtland B.	Insurance Agent
Flood, Fred A.	U. T. D. Co.
Fredette, Alfred E.	Grocer
Frizzell, Allen S.	Lumber Dealer
Frost, Jed C.	Insurance Agent
Fuller, Irwin L.	Fish Dealer
Gagnon, Donald J.	Barber
Garbarino, Edward J.	Shoe Worker

Giles, Elmer H.	U. T. D. Co.
Gray, Clifford W.	Painter
Green, Kenneth S.	Leather Worker
Hager, Orie W.	Shoe Worker
Haven, C. Waldo	Clerk
Hoehn, Harry S.	L. S. S. Co.
Hood, Charles W.	L. S. S. Co.
Hosmer, Samuel G.	Retired
Hoye, Clesson F.	Shoe Worker
Jardine, Mervin E.	L. S. S. Co.
Johnston, George W.	Athol Mfg. Co.
Karner, Warren C.	Foreman U. T. D. Co.
Killay, John W.	U. T. D. Co.
Knechtel, Ludwig S.	Florist
LaFleur, Nelson A.	Undertaker
Lashenske, Anthony L.	Athletic Director
Livermore, Arthur L.	Clerk
MacDonald, J. Albert	Meter Reader
Macomber, Grenville B.	Shoe Worker
Mann, Chester	L. S. S. Co.
Martin, Clifford J.	Brick Mason
McIntosh, Clesson B.	Clerk
McKay, William J.	Auto Mechanic
Meany, Matthew W.	Foreman—U. T. D.
Miller, Adam	L. S. S. Co.
Mullen, Richard	Salesman
Nemo, William E.	Factory Foreman
Noonan, Robert W.	Accountant
O'Connor, Daniel C.	Hotel Manager
O'Laughlin, William H.	Clothier
Olson, Anton L.	Carpenter
Peckham, Harold L.	Wood Worker
Perley, Norman H.	Musician
Porte, Carl D.	Bookkeeper
Poor, Charles G.	Jeweler
Renwick, Loudon J.	Tallow Dealer

Richards, Fred B.	Butcher
Roth, Herman C.	Asst. Sales Manager
Sisson, James G.	Superintendent
Salevan, James H.	Salesman
Schmidt, Edward L.	Bookkeeper,
Simpson, Arthur W.	Toolmaker
Tandy, Spencer E.	Musician
Thayer, Philip R.	Draughtsman
Tyler, E. Warren	Banker
Webster, Rodney E.	N. E. T. and T. Co.
Wilson, Frank W.	Salesman
Winter, Arthur G.	Machinist



# Annal Report of the Town Clerk

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1935

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### Vital Records

There have been recorded in the records of the Town of Athol the number of births, marriages and deaths, occurring in 1935, as indicated below. These include births, marriages and deaths occurring elsewhere if the parents of the child born, a party to the marriage, or the deceased, were residents of Athol at the time of such event

Parents and attending physician are equally responsible under the law for the reporting of a birth. A complete return is required within forty days, and for the convenience of the parents a supplemental report form is sent them immediately upon receipt of a doctor's return of a birth in Athol. Prompt return of this report may prevent errors in recording the birth.

Number of Births Recorded	190
Number of Marriages Recorded	121
Number of Deaths Recorded	139

These records may be examined at the Town Clerk's office.

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#### LIST OF JURORS SERVING IN 1935

Frank W. Garbarino	Leslie W. Briggs
Howard W. Cooke	Samuel G. Hosmer
Alexander Macmaster	John W. Killay
Frank A. Baker	Allen S. Frizzell
Stephen E. Larry	Anton L. Olson
William E. Cramer	



## DOG LICENSES

## Number Issued

	Expiring March 31, 1935	
2 Males @ \$2.00		\$4.00

	Expiring March 31, 1936	
511 Males at \$2.00	\$1,022.00	
71 Females at \$5.00	355.00	
157 Spayed Females at \$2.00	314.00	
1 Kennel License	25.00	

740	\$1,716.00	
Total License fees collected	\$1,720.00	
1934 balance brought forward	8.40	

\$1,728.40

Paid to Town Treasurer	\$1,571.60	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1935	8.40	

	\$1,580.00	
Clerk's fees, 742 at 20c	148.40	

\$1,728.40

Number of 1935 licenses, as above	740	
Transfers from other towns	3	

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WALTER E. FARNUM, Town Clerk

# Record of Town Meetings, 1935

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Annual Town Election, February 4, 1935

## WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Athol, in the County of Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Athol, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts in said Athol, at the following places designated and appointed as polling places, to wit:

Precinct One, at the Town Hall; Precinct Two, at Memorial Building, Monday, the fourth day of February, next, it being the first Monday in said month, at six-thirty o'clock in the forenoon, to bring in their votes to the Election Officers for Moderator, Treasurer, Highway Surveyor, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden and three Constables, all for one year; Sinking Fund Commissioner for two years; Town Clerk, Selectman, Assessor, member Board of Public Welfare, Sewer Commissioner, Sinking Fund Commissioner, two members School Committee, Water Commissioner, one member Board of Health, two Library Trustees, Park Commissioner, one member Planning Board, all for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for five years.

## QUESTION

Shall the operation of section one hundred and five B of chapter one hundred and thirty-one of the General Laws, requiring for the taking of fur-bearing animals the use of traps that kill at once or take such animals alive unharmed, be suspended within this town?

YES.....

NO.....

all on one ballot

The polls will be opened at six-thirty o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at seven o'clock in the afternoon.

The meeting for the transaction of town business will be held on Monday, the eighteenth day of February next, at six-fifteen o'clock in the evening in Memorial Building.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, in each of the Post Offices in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting, and by publishing a like copy in one or more of the newspapers published in said town two days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, unto the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this eighteenth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five.

WARREN C. KARNER,  
GEORGE W. GRANT  
RALPH S. STONE,

Selectmen of Athol.

# RETURN OF CONSTABLE HERBERT S. GODDARD IN REGULAR FORM

## PROCEEDINGS

	Precincts		Total
	1	2	
Total number of votes cast	1260	2074	3334

### Moderator for One Year

Harry H. Graves had	348	618	966
William G. Lord had	831	1310	2141
Blanks	81	146	227

### Town Clerk for Three Years

Walter E. Farnum had	1091	1716	2807
Blanks	169	358	527

### Selectman for Three Years

See record of recount

Osmond H. Casavant had	43	52	95
Howard W. Cooke had	599	687	1286
Philip S. Perley had	325	833	1158
Ralph S. Stone had	287	464	751
Blanks	6	38	44

### Assessor for Three Years

Herbert S. Goddard had	1004	1526	2530
Blanks	256	548	804

### Highway Surveyor for One Year

James G. Cotton had	1066	1655	2721
Remie Plantin had	139	292	431
Blanks	55	127	182

**Board of Public Welfare for Three Years**

Leon V. Mills had	541	753	1294
James G. Sisson had	630	1098	1728
Blanks	89	223	312

**Treasurer for One Year**

Charles W. Faulkner had	1016	1582	2598
Blanks	244	492	736

**Collector of Taxes for One Year**

Harry H. Graves had	97	238	335
John F. Hayden had	654	1318	1972
Frank W. Wilson had	490	478	968
Blanks	19	40	59

**Sewer Commissioner for Three Years**

Emmett L. Worrick had	949	1499	2448
Blanks	311	575	886

**Water Commissioner for Three Years**

E. Warren Tyler had	962	1497	2459
Harold D. Judd had		1	1
Blanks	298	576	874

**Tree Warden for One Year**

Harold E. Bacon had	1001	1568	2569
Blanks	259	506	765

**Sinking Fund Commissioner for Two Years**

Walker C. Brown had	460	784	1244
David B. Coolidge had	621	898	1519
Berl D. Stimson had	1		1
Blanks	178	392	570

**Sinking Fund Commissioner for Three Years**

Ralph O. Brooks had	930	1411	2341
Blanks	330	663	993



**Three Constables for One Year**

Herbert S. Goddard had	932	1372	2304
George V. Henrich had	821	1316	2137
Harry S. Stoddard had	754	1156	1910
Blanks	1273	2378	3651

**Two Members School Committee for Three Years**

James F. Cuddy had	981	1577	2558
Raymond Fessenden had	832	1289	2121
Samuel E. Luscomb had		1	1
Alexander A. Laughton had		3	3
Blanks	707	1278	1985

**Member Board of Health for Three Years**

Stanley B. Lyman had	997	1486	2483
Blanks	263	588	851

**Two Library Trustees for Three Years**

Arline H. Bond had	892	1336	2228
Robert L. Dexter had	848	1323	2171
Blanks	780	1489	2269

**Cemetery Commissioner for Five Years**

Robert L. Dexter had	933	1419	2352
Blanks	327	655	982

**Park Commissioner for Three Years**

William H. Killay had	916	1482	2398
Frederick Stockwell had		1	1
James Graham had		1	1
Blanks	344	590	934

**Member Planning Board for Three Years**

William E. Nemo had	876	1368	2244
Frank W. Wilson		1	1
Blanks	384	705	1089



## QUESTION

Suspension of Operation of Trapping Law  
(Sec. 105B, Chap. 131, General Laws)

Yes	456	726	1182
No	245	411	656
Blanks	559	937	1496

A true record:

ROBERT WM. GLASHEEN, Clerk Prec. No. 1  
HIAL O. ROBINSON, Clerk Prec. No. 2

A true copy:

WALTER E. FARNUM, Town Clerk.

## RECORD OF RECOUNT

A recount of the votes cast for the office of Selectman, held on February 11, 1935, determined the votes to be as follows:

	Precincts		Total
	1	2	
Osmond H. Ca savant	43	52	95
Howard W. Cooke	600	687	1287
Philip S. Perley	324	834	1158
Ralph S. Stone	287	463	750
Blanks	6	38	44
Total Number of Ballots Cast			3334

WALTER E. FARNUM, Town Clerk.

Annual Business Meeting  
February 18, 1935

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Athol, in the County of Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Athol, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Memorial Building, in said Athol, on Monday, the Eighteenth Day of February, 1935, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles.

Article 1. To receive and act upon the annual reports of the officers of the Town.

Article 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers not already elected.

Article 3. To hear reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will choose one or more agents to prosecute and defend law-suits, compromise and adjust the same.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1935, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. To determine the manner of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to oil the streets or a portion thereof the present year, raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for the repair and care of the clock on the Congregational church in Athol.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding Five Thousand (\$5,000.) for permanent roads for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.) for the care of Soldiers' graves or act in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum for new sidewalks for the ensuing year.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the expenses of the Water Department for the ensuing year, or act in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of roads constructed under the Provisions of Chapter 90 G.L., it being understood that the State and County will each supply an amount equal to that appropriated by the Town.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the construction and improvements of roads under the Provisions of Chapter 90 G.L., it being understood that the State and County will supply an amount equal to that appropriated by the Town.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the collection of garbage for the ensuing year.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the collection of rubbish for the ensuing year.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for expenses of the Dental Clinic for the ensuing year, or act in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a District Nurse and the maintenance of an automobile for said nurse, or act in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of an automobile for the use of the District Nurse.

Article 22 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$12,415.50) in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, and Chapter 111, Acts of 1932, to meet the assessment levied against Athol by the County Commissioners, for the care of tuberculosis patients in the County of Worcester during 1934. The amount asked for being divided in the following manner: Care and Maintenance \$4,972.70; Interest on Bonds \$2,842.80; Construction \$4,600.00.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for E. R. A. or other Government Projects, or act in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Hundred Dollars (\$2,200.) for Sewer Maintenance for the ensuing year, or act in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.) for additional services and expenses of the Animal Inspector for the year 1934, or act in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the purchase of a power sprayer for the use of the Tree Department in combating the gypsy moth, the same to be used by other departments of the Town requiring same as need exists or conditions require.



Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to purchase and install a tractor for the Ladder Truck at Station 2, or act in relation thereto. Same to be done under the supervision of the Chief of the Fire Department.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and One Cent (\$126.01) for the purpose of paying the Water Department for materials and labor furnished to the Fire Department in 1934, in connection with the installation of a new hydrant at the corner of Main and Exchange streets, or act in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to pay Starrett's Band for band concerts during the season of 1935.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.) for the purchase and maintenance of a modern ambulance, same to be under the supervision of the Board of Health or act in relation thereto.

Article 31. To see what action the Town will take toward the purchase of a Tractor Snowplow for sidewalks, raise and appropriate any money for the same, or act in relation thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the sixteenth annual convention of the 104th U. S. Infantry veterans' association A. E. F. April 26th and 27th, 1935, or act in relation thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will take any step toward the observance of the 200th anniversary of the settlement of the Town in September, 1935, and appropriate any money therefor.

Article 34. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.) to pay for a Red Cross Life Guard at Lake Ellis during the summer of 1935, said employee to be under the supervision of the Park Department, or act in relation thereto.

Article 35. To see if it is the sense of the Town that all or any part of the reduction in salaries and wages paid by the Town or its departments, as voted at the 1933 regular Town meeting, be restored, retroactive to January 1, 1935, or act in relation thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town of Athol will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money as payment of Ephriam Corriveau for damages caused by construction of Lenox Street Extension.

Article 37. To see if the Town will adopt the following By-Laws:

"Section 1. The Treasurer shall have full power to assign any tax titles held by the Town upon the payment of the lawful charges to the Town thereon.

Section 2. All assignments of tax titles shall be executed by the Treasurer in the name and on behalf of the Town."

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to increase the number of Reserve Police Officers to four, or act in relation thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept all cemetery trust funds received and turned over to the Treasurer during the year 1934.

Article 40. To see if the Town will call the Athol Playgrounds, better known as the Athol Fair grounds, McGregor Park, or act in relation thereto.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to accept sections 21 to 25 inclusive of Chapter 136 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) relative to certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's Day.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to pay Albert A. Brouillet the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) damages for land taken in widening of Wilson Avenue, as voted by said Town on February 16, 1931, raise and appropriate the money therefor or act in relation thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to elect the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Highway Surveyor and a Tree Warden for a term of three years beginning with the annual election in 1936, or act in relation thereto.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee consisting of Carlos Tyler, John Hayden, William Plotkin, Mrs. Charles Cooke, Mrs. Joseph Wilcox, William Killay, Anthony Tamason, Dr. George Bassow and Dr. Raymond Watson, to investigate the need of a new High School Building, or act in relation thereto.

Article 45. To see if the Town will grant free use of Memorial Hall and Liberty Hall to the School Department five times a year, or act in relation thereto.

Article 46. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.) to install modern lavatories at the Lake Park School or act in relation thereto.

Article 47. To see if the voters will accept Sec. 32-47 inclusive Chapter 147 of the General Laws which provides for the holding of licensed boxing matches.

Article 48. To see if it be the sense of the Town that the work of grading and repaving School street from South Street to Park Avenue, or any portion thereof, be done under an E.R.A. or other Government project, work to commence as soon as such project is approved.

Article 49. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any additional sum of money for estimated and undetermined E.R.A. projects.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to accept Sec. 6 of Chapter 85 of the General Laws relative to the assessment of cost for the removal of snow.

Article 51. To raise by borrowing or otherwise, for all such sums of money as may be needed for all and any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles, provision for which has not been made.

Advisory Committee meeting will be held in Advisory Room, Memorial Building, Friday evening, February 8, 1935, at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies hereof, in each of the Post Offices of said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting, and by publishing a like copy in one or more of the newspapers published in said town two days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, unto the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourth day of February,  
in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five.

WARREN C. KARNER,  
GEORGE W. GRANT  
RALPH S. STONE,  
Selectmen of Athol.

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RETURN OF CONSTABLE HERBERT S. GODDARD IN  
REGULAR FORM

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PROCEEDINGS

Article 1. Voted: That the Town accept the Annual Reports of the officers of the Town as printed and distributed.

Article 2. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 3. Selectman Warren C. Karner read the following report:

**Report of the Selectmen in the Matter of Employing a  
Purchasing Agent and Consolidating Certain  
Town Departments**

"In accordance with the vote at the last annual meeting, investigation of the matters of employing a purchasing agent and consolidating certain of the Town Departments has been made. We are indebted to the Municipal Administration Service, The Massachusetts Asso-



ciation of Purchasing Agents, and the Municipal Research Bureau for most of our information on the subject of municipal purchasing, as well as to the towns of Norwood and Greenfield. From the latter Town we received also valuable information with reference to unified departmental control.

"In 1933, the total amount of materials purchased for the town cost, in round figures, \$45,000.00. The most optimistic advocate of centralized purchasing estimates that a saving of ten percent might be effected and the same authorities state that a municipal agent should have at least two years' experience in private corporation purchasing and that the cost of running his office, including his salary, should be one percent of the total purchases. This is an obvious impossibility here in Athol as one percent of our purchases is only \$450.00, and no experienced man could be hired except for a small part of his time at that price.

"Many places have a part time agent, or one whose duties include the administration of some other department but it is not generally recommended that an agent be employed whose other duties are such that his purchasing becomes a secondary activity.

"The Town of Norwood has an ideal set-up for taking care of this whole situation. The Town Manager, who has charge of the Highway, Cemetery, Park, Play Grounds, Water, Sewer, Tree and Police Departments as well as the electric light plant, also does the purchasing for all departments and is responsible to the Selectmen for the economical management of all departments under his control. An arrangement of this kind solves both the problem of centralized purchasing for all departments and consolidation of certain departments into one Dept. of Public Works.

"As a modification of this plan, the Town of Danvers recently petitioned the Legislature for permission to effect a like unification of its various departments without establishing a Town Manager form of government, which would seem to be the most logical preliminary step in the direction of centralized control. This Town proposes to set up a Board of Public Works, consisting of five men whose duties will be comparable to the duties previously performed by the various department heads.

"However, inasmuch as Athol is somewhat smaller than Danvers, it would seem that a more effective organization would be to establish a Department of Public Works to consist of the Highway, Park, Cemetery, Water, Sewer, Tree and Moth Departments, to be under the control of a commission of three men, one of whom shall be a Selectman, and two of which would be elected at the annual town meeting each year. This commission would employ a director of public works who would be in direct charge of all operations in these departments and responsible to the commission for the effective performance of same. He would, of course, be responsible for the purchasing in all branches of his department and as this was a substantial percentage of the purchases in 1933, it will be readily seen that the purchasing situation would be well taken care of by this arrangement.

"Should it eventually prove advisable to place the purchasing for all departments in his hands, it could easily be done at any time.

"The advantages of this set-up in municipal affairs are obvious. It avoids unnecessary duplication of materials, of equipment and assures a minimum inventory of all needed articles. It provides a means of taking advantage of quantity discounts on all purchases as the same would be centralized instead of being widely scattered as

at present. It provides means whereby equipment and men can be used to greater advantage as all would be under one general direction instead of under one half dozen directions. It provides a means whereby incompetence can be readily eliminated at any time by order of the commission rather than once a year by vote of the town and eliminates the multiplicity of commissions and offices, with its consequent division of responsibility.

"A competent director or superintendent would save his salary in economies effected and the increase in service rendered would be worth more than passing consideration.

"Our investigation of the problem would seem to indicate that the above organization would serve the interests of the town to good advantage. It is therefore recommended that steps be taken to consolidate the following departments: Highway, Park, Cemetery, Sewer, Water, Tree and Moth Departments, into a Department of Public Works to be under the control of a commission of three as above stated and to be supervised by a director appointed by the commission, at such salary as they shall from time to time determine, and whose duties shall be prescribed from time to time by said commission and who shall have as one of his principal duties the purchasing, storing and management of all tools, material and supplies used by the Department of Public Works aforesaid and that the Legislature be petitioned for the necessary permission to effect such consolidation.

WARREN C. KARNER,  
GEORGE W. GRANT

Selectmen of Athol"

(The above report was rendered in pursuance of votes under Articles 38 and 39 of the warrant for Annual Town Meeting held February 19, 1934, whereby the Selectmen

were authorized to investigate and report on the matters therein referred to.)

Voted: That the report of the Board of Selectmen on the matter of consolidating certain town departments into one Department of Public Works be and is hereby accepted as work in progress, and that the present Board of Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to petition the General Court for such legislation as they deem necessary to give effect to the establishment of said Department of Public Works in accordance with the recommendations contained in their report.

The vote on the above motion was 390 in the affirmative and 315 in the negative.

Philip S. Perley read the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE RATES CHARGED FOR GAS AND ELECTRICITY IN ATHOL

"Under Article No. 32 of the 1934 town warrant, a committee consisting of Philip S. Perley, Fred P. Bulman, James G. Sisson, Alfred N. Hamlet and John H. Horigan was appointed to act in conjunction with Mr. C. D. Briggs of Worcester, Massachusetts, to make a very complete study of the gas and electric rates now charged by the Athol Gas and Electric Company; to compare the rates now charged the citizens of Athol with rates charged by municipal operated plants, to study the possibility of a Federal loan to finance a municipal plant as it being done in other sections of the country. This committee to make complete reports of their progress to the voters of Athol.

"We now report that we have made a complete study of the gas and electric rates charged by the Athol Gas and



Electric Company; that we have compared the rates charged the citizens of Athol with rates charged by municipally operated plants; that we have studied the possibility of a federal loan to finance a municipal plant and as a result of our investigation, research and study, this committee unanimously reports that the best action for the citizens of Athol at this time is to accept an offer made by the Athol Gas and Electric Co. to reduce and adjust the rates as of March 1, 1935.

"A complete report is in the hands of the Town Clerk. It is too lengthy to read at this time; this report includes the old and revised rate schedules and shows the benefit to the customers of the Athol Gas and Electric Co.

"I therefore move that the committee's report be accepted and that this committee be discharged.

PHILIP S. PERLEY, Chairman."

Voted, as amended: That the report of the committee appointed to investigate Gas and Electric Rates charged in Athol be accepted as work in progress, and that the committee be continued as they have valuable information for future use.

The Advisory Committee reported on each article as it was considered.

Article 4. Voted: That the Board of Selectmen act as agents to prosecute and defend law suits, compromise and adjust same.

Article 5. Voted, as amended: That the Town raise and appropriate the following sums for Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Military Aid	\$	300.00
Advisory Committee		75.00



Selectmen	1,500.00
Town Accountant Department	1,950.00
For Clerk Hire	400.00
Town Hall and Offices	4,800.00
State Aid	750.00
Inspector of Animals	270.00
Street Lighting	11,500.00
Soldiers' Relief	12,000.00
Soldiers' Burial	200.00
Unclassified	2,000.00
Lyman Jennings Annuity	120.00
Sidewalk Repairs	400.00
Town Clerk	870.00
Election and Registration	800.00
Cemetery Department	8,000.00
Cemetery Veterans' Hire	500.00
Cemetery Department, for New Equipment	1,000.00
School Department	134,477.00
Vocational Training	350.00
Dog Officer	45.50
Library Trustees, the Dog Tax Fund of \$1,131.63 and	4,868.37
Tree Warden	1,170.00
Tree Veterans' Hire	500.00
Tax Collector	4,000.00
Assessors	3,500.00
Highway Department	46,500.00
Highway Department, for New Equipment	2,750.00
Highway Veterans' Hire	5,800.00
Public Welfare	60,000.00
The Assessors to be authorized to use not to exceed \$25,000.00 from available surplus in determining tax rate.	
Old Age Assistance	15,000.00
Fire Department	20,000.00
Fire Department, for New Equipment	300.00

Fire Alarm	900.00
Forest Fires	600.00
New Hydrant and Repairs	300.00
Hydrant Rentals	2,500.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Department	700.00
Town Treasurer	1,150.00
Insurance	4,000.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	4,000.00
Interest on Permanent Loans	
(Including Sewer Interest \$1880)	6,551.25
Retirement Bonds	
(Including Sewer Bonds \$4,000.00)	33,500.00
Sewer Department	2,200.00
Reserve Fund	10,000.00
School Physician	225.00
Moth Department	2,000.00
Moth Veterans' Hire	200.00
Park Department	3,000.00
Park Department Veterans' Hire	1,000.00
Police Department	12,750.00
Health Department	9,000.00

The amendment to Article 5, previously voted, was to substitute, in the item for Street Lighting, the sum of \$11,500.00 for \$13,437.00 as originally moved.

Successive motions to amend the motion under Article 5 by substituting in the items for: Selectmen the sum of \$1,400.00; Town Accountant, total of \$2,000.00 instead of total of \$2,350.00; Unclassified, \$1,000.00; Library Trustees, \$4,468.37; Tax Collector, \$3,000.00; Park Department Veterans' Hire, \$300.00, and Health Department, \$10,000.00, were each voted in the negative.

Article 6. Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized

to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1935, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. Voted: That all property taxes be due July 1st, that one-half or all can be paid then, that the balance be paid October 1st. That interest begin November 1, on unpaid taxes of October 1. That the Collector be paid 17-32 of one percent on all money collected. Poll and Auto Excise Taxes are also fixed by statute and are payable on receipt of tax bill.

Article 8. Voted, as amended: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to oil roads and streets, same to be expended by the Highway Surveyor.

The amendment, previously voted, was to substitute the sum of \$3,500.00 for \$5,000.00 as originally moved.

Article 9. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$275.00 for the observance of Memorial Day, to be expended as follows:

Sons of Veterans	\$200.00
American Legion	25.00
Veterans of Foreign Wars	25.00
Spanish War Veterans	25.00

Article 10. Voted: That the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated for the repair and care of the clock on the Congregational Church in Athol.

Article 11. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 12. Voted: That the sum of \$50.00 be raised and appropriated for the care of Soldiers' Graves for the ensuing year.

Article 13. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 14. Voted: That the sum of \$20,720.00 be appropriated from Available Water Department Surplus for bonds and interest. That \$3,000.00 be appropriated from Water Department Estimated Receipts for new equipment, and that \$37,000.00 from Water Department Estimated Receipts be appropriated for the general expenses of the Water Department.

Article 15. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the maintenance of roads constructed under the provisions of Chapter 90 G. L., it being understood that the State and County will each supply an amount equal to that appropriated by the Town.

Article 16. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 17. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the collection of garbage for the ensuing year.

Article 18. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the collection of rubbish during the ensuing year.

Article 19. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1150.00 for expenses of the Dental Clinic for the ensuing year.

Article 20. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2250.00 for the employment of a District Nurse and the maintenance of an automobile for said nurse.

Article 21. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 22. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,415.50 in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 111 of the General Laws and Chapter 111 Acts of 1932, to meet the assessment levied against Athol by the County Commissioners, for the care of tuberculosis patients in the County of Worcester, during 1934. The amount asked for being divided in the following manner:

Care and Maintenance	\$4,972.70
Interest on Bonds	\$2,842.80
Construction	\$4,600.00

Article 23. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for E. R. A., State or Government projects, and if all of said sum is not required for said projects then any balance remaining is hereby added to the appropriation for the Welfare Department. The project amount to be expended by E. R. A. Administrator, the Board of Selectmen and the Town Advisory Committee as a joint committee.

Article 24. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 25. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$30.00 for additional services and expenses of the Animal Inspector for the year 1934.

Article 26. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 27. A motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 to purchase and install a tractor for the ladder truck at Station 2, was voted in the negative.

Voted, on substitute motion: That this article be passed over



Article 28. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$126.01 for the purpose of paying the Water Department for materials and labor furnished to the Fire Department in 1934, in connection with the installation of a new hydrant at the corner of Main and Exchange Streets.

Article 29. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to pay Starrett's Band for band concerts during the season of 1935.

Article 30. A motion that this article be passed over was voted in the negative.

Voted, on a substitute motion: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purchase and maintenance of a modern ambulance; said ambulance to be under the care of the Police Department. That a committee of three for the purchasing of the ambulance be appointed by the Moderator. (The committee, subsequently appointed, consists of the following: Donald B. Cheetam, M. D., Edwin A. Clare and Joseph Wilcox.)

Article 31. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 32. Voted, as amended, by 43 votes in the affirmative and 0 votes in the negative: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$215.00 for the sixteenth annual convention of the 104th U. S. Infantry Veterans' Association A. E. F., to be held in Athol April 26th and 27th, 1935, and that said Association be granted free use of Memorial Hall and Liberty Hall for this convention. Said sum to be taken from Athol and Orange Transportation Area Available Surplus.

The amendment, previously voted, was for the granting of the free use of Memorial Hall and Liberty Hall for this convention.

Article 33. Voted, by 31 votes in the affirmative and 0 votes in the negative: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$295.89 for the observance in September 1935 of the 200th Anniversary of the settlement of the Town. The observance to be under the direction of a committee appointed by the Moderator with W. G. Lord chairman. Same to be taken from the Athol and Orange Transportation Area Available Surplus. (See list of committee members on page 9.)

Article 34. Voted: That the article be passed over.

Article 35. Voted: That the article be passed over.

Article 36. Voted: That the article be passed over.

Article 37. Voted: That the Town adopt the following By-Laws:

"Section 1. The Treasurer shall have full power to assign any tax titles held by the Town, upon the payment of the lawful charges to the Town thereon.

"Section 2. All assignments of tax titles shall be executed by the Treasurer in the name and on behalf of the Town."

The Selectmen to take all necessary steps to have Attorney General approve above by-laws and make same effective.

Article 38. Voted: That the Town increase the number of Reserve Police Officers to four.

Article 39. Voted: That the Town accept all cemetery trust funds received and turned over to the Treasurer during the year 1934. (A list of these trust funds may be seen at the Town Clerk's office.)

Article 40. Voted: That this article be referred to the following committee:

Rev. John W. Barker  
Joseph Wilcox  
John F. Hayden  
W. G. Lord  
W. H. Brock

Article 41. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 42. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 43. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 44. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 45. Voted: That the Town grant free use of Memorial Hall and Liberty Hall to the School Department five times a year.

Article 46. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 47. Voted: That the Town accept sections 32-47 inclusive Chapter 147 of the General Laws which provides for the holding of licensed boxing matches.

(Article 47 was inserted in the warrant on petition of 470 registered voters of the Town of Athol, as certified by the Registrars of Voters, filed in the Town Clerk's office on January 19, 1935.)

Article 48. Voted: That grading and repairing School Street from South Street to Park Avenue, or any portion thereof, be accepted as an E. R. A., State or Government Project.

Article 49. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 50. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 51. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Meeting adjourned.

WALTER E. FARNUM, Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting, September 23, 1935

# TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Athol, in the County of Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Athol, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Memorial Building in said Athol, on Monday, the twenty-third day of September, 1935, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Overlay Reserve fund for Old Age Assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for Public Welfare, Soldiers Relief and the Town's share of the cost of W. P. A. Projects and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 188 Acts of 1935 and Chapter 49 Acts of 1933, as amended by Chapter 300 Acts of 1935, or take any action in relation thereto.



Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of fire apparatus to replace Hose No. 4 and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow under the provisions of Chapter 49 Acts of 1933 as amended by Chapter 300 Acts of 1935 and Chapter 44, Section 7, General Laws.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to purchase the Mann Farm so-called in the Town of Phillipston for the protection of its water shed, appropriate money therefor from Water Available Surplus, or act in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of building a central filtration plant and do all other necessary construction as per plan submitted by Tighe & Bond, consulting engineers and entitled Plan No. 4, Water Supply Purification of the Athol Water Supply, and authorize the Selectmen to make application to the Federal Government for a grant of money under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 for said purpose, and to accept such grant, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made, or to take any action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Dollars and Thirty-Three Cents (\$22.33) from Sewer Available Surplus for interest on permanent loans or act in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a highway bridge across Millers River on Crescent Street and authorize the Selectmen to make application



to the Federal Government for a grant of money under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 for said purpose, and to accept such grant, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made, or to take any action relative thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the location of Coolidge Parkway as laid out by the Selectmen, appropriate any sum of money for land damage therefor or act in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept Sections 21 to 25 inclusive of Chapter 136 of the General Laws relative to certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's Day.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to sell and convey to John J. MacKay for a sum not less than One Hundred (\$100.) Dollars a certain tract of land adjoining his residence at 1279 Main Street on the southerly side thereof, the same being that portion of the Old Town Hall property lying between his residence and the driveway leading from Main Street to the rear of his property or act in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the whole or any part of Bearsden Road between the home of Richard Comerford and the Gulf Road or act in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to grant the use of Memorial and Liberty Halls, including kitchen utensils, tables, chairs, etc., to the Athol High School Alumni Association without charge, one day each year for the purpose of holding the Annual Reunion of said Athol High School Alumni Association or act in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money to meet any appropriation made under any of the articles of this warrant under any law authorizing the borrowing for said purpose.

Advisory Committee Meeting will be held in Advisory Committee Room, Memorial Building Monday evening, September 16, 1935 at seven-thirty o'clock.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies hereof, in each of the Post Offices of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by publishing a like copy in one or more of the newspapers published in said town two days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, unto the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this twelfth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five.

GEORGE W. GRANT,  
WARREN C. KARNER,  
HOWARD W. COOKE,  
Selectmen of Athol.

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RETURN OF CONSTABLE HERBERT S. GODDARD IN  
REGULAR FORM

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PROCEEDINGS

Article 1 Voted: That the sum of \$8,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Old Age Assistance, the same to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 2. Voted: By 295 votes in the affirmative and 22 votes in the negative, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1935 as amended, the sum of \$21,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, said bonds or notes to be paid in not more than ten years or at such times as may be directed by the Emergency Finance Board named in Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933.

The proceeds of the loan are hereby appropriated for Public Welfare \$5,000.00, Soldiers' Relief \$1,000.00, and for the Town's share of W. P. A. Projects \$15,000.00; and to borrow under the provisions of Chapter 49, Acts of 1933 as amended by Chapter 300, Acts of 1935 the further sum of \$5,000.00, but in no event a sum in excess of the tax titles taken or held by the town, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, all in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter 49 as amended. The sum of \$5,000.00 from the proceeds of the loan is hereby appropriated for Public Welfare.

A motion, previously voted on, that the vote on the motion under Article 2 be taken by ballot, was voted in the negative.

Article 3. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 4. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 5. Voted: By 290 votes in the affirmative and 53 votes in the negative, that for the purpose of building a central filtration plant and do all other necessary construction as per plan submitted by Tighe & Bond, consulting engineers and entitled Plan No. 4, Water Supply Purification of the Athol Water Supply, in cooperation with

the Federal Government under the National Industrial Recovery Act or the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$95,000.00 and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$57,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935 and the Federal Act applicable thereto, said bonds or notes to be payable in not more than twenty years or at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board.

All money received from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied to meet the cost of said project, or, in case the amount of loan authorized is in excess of the Town's share of the cost, it shall be applied to the loan herein authorized to the extent of such excess.

The Selectmen are hereby authorized to file an application with the Federal Government for a grant of money under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 for the above purpose and to accept such grant subject to applicable Federal Regulations.

A motion, previously voted on, to recommit to a committee consisting of Abner F. Towne, George W. Grant and E. Warren Tyler, who shall report at a future meeting, was defeated by a vote of 254 in the negative and 143 in the affirmative.

Article 6. Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$22.33 from Sewer Available Surplus for interest on permanent loans.

Article 7. It was MOVED: That for the purpose of constructing a Highway Bridge across Millers River on



Crescent Street in cooperation with the Federal Government under the National Industrial Recovery Act or the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$36,000.00, and the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$21,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935 and the Federal Act applicable thereto, said bonds or notes to be payable in not more than twenty years or at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board.

All money received from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied to meet the cost of said project, or, in case the amount of loan authorized is in excess of the town's share of the cost, it shall be applied to the loan herein authorized to the extent of such excess.

The selectmen are hereby authorized to file an application with the Federal Government for a grant of money under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 for the above purpose and to accept such grant subject to applicable Federal regulations.

This motion was REJECTED by a tie vote, a two-thirds vote being required to carry the motion.

Article 8. Voted: That the Town accept the location of Coolidge Parkway as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for land damage, same to be taken from the Athol & Orange Transportation Area Available Surplus.

Article 9. Voted: That the Town accept Sections 21 to 25 inclusive of Chapter 136 of the General Laws relative to certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's Day.



Article 10. Voted: As amended, that the Town sell and convey to John J. MacKay for a sum not less than \$100.00 a certain tract of land adjoining his residence at 1279 Main Street on the southerly side thereof, the same being that portion of the Old Town Hall Property lying between his residence and the driveway leading from Main Street to the rear of his property; that the Selectmen and Town Treasurer be and hereby are authorized to execute and deliver in behalf of the Town a deed of said land.

The amendment, previously voted, is the final clause of the motion as amended and voted.

Article 11. Voted: That this article be passed over.

Article 12. Voted: That the Town grant the use of Memorial and Liberty Halls, including kitchen utensils, tables, chairs, etc., to the Athol High School Alumni Association without charge, one day each year for the purpose of holding the Annual Reunion of said Athol High School Alumni Association.

Article 13. Voted: By 26 votes in the affirmative and no votes in the negative, that the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money to meet any appropriation made under any of the articles of this warrant under any law authorizing the borrowing for said purpose.

Meeting adjourned.

WALTER E. FARNUM, Town Clerk.

## Report of the Library Trustees

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The trustees of the Athol Public Library present the report of the Librarian for the year 1935.

We wish to express our commendation and appreciation of the work of the Library Service Association under the direction of Mrs. Waldo Haven, President, and Mrs. Frederick Lee, Treasurer, who arranged a series of twelve evening talks on Current Events by Miss Marion Armstrong and afternoon lectures by various speakers. The proceeds of these meetings are given to the Library for the purchase of books. We wish particularly to thank Miss Armstrong who has given much time in the preparation of her talks.

These meetings have not only been of educational value but have made the public library-minded and aroused interest in the work of this town department.

This service and the contribution of many books by townspeople have been of inestimable help to the Library hampered by a necessarily limited appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. WEAVER,  
Chairman  
ARLINE H. BOND, Clerk  
DAVID FINDLAY  
ROBERT DEXTER  
PAULINE ALLISON  
JANETTA MCGREGOR

## Report of the Librarian

To the Trustees of the Athol Public Library:

It is gratifying to report that in 1935 there has been an increase in the number of books added to the library. It is the first time for several years that the number added, exceeded the number discarded. This is due to a slight increase in the appropriation, to the many who have given books, and to the Library Service Association. This Association has been described in the Report of the Library Trustees, but it seems only fitting that the librarian should also express her sincere appreciation for the work that the Association has done in aiding the library. Many children's books have been replaced and some expensive and valuable books of non-fiction purchased by the Association. "History of the Pilgrims and Puritans" by Joseph Dillaway Sawyer is one of the titles, a work that is a great addition to any library.

Although there has been a slight decrease in the adult circulation, we are glad to report that the type of books read has been more worth while. In the two departments, Adult and Juvenile, there were over 8,000 more books of non-fiction taken out this year than in 1934. There was a notable increase in the circulation of Useful Arts, Fine Arts, Literature and Science.

For the first time in a number of years there has been an increase of children's books loaned. This may be explained by the fact that a large number of popular books were given to this department by boys and girls who were through reading their own books and wanted to share

them with others. We hope that this practice of giving will continue and that instead of putting books in the attic where they are forgotten, they will be brought to the library for other boys and girls to enjoy.

This year 596 State certificates were given to children who read recommended books on the State Reading List. This may also be a reason for the increased interest in children's reading.

The future of a public library depends a good deal upon its work with children. We feel that we cannot adequately take care of their needs and demands in the crowded section now set aside for them. It is to be hoped that in the near future some arrangement can be made whereby they may have a room for themselves.

Mrs. Allison still continues her faithful occupation of Story Lady. The large attendance every Saturday morning is sufficient proof that her talent is appreciated.

Besides small book collections in several of the school rooms and at the Town Farm, we have had deposits at the Warwick Transient Camp and the Athol C. C. We have also given these camps some of our discarded books and magazines.

Miss Grace Pitts continues to allow us space in her store for our books for the convenience of the people uptown, and Miss Mary Goodell generously gives her services one afternoon a week acting as librarian.

This summer Miss Grace Upham again took a six weeks' summer course in library work at Syracuse University. This proved beneficial to her and to the library.



It is impossible to purchase all of the books that are asked for, but when non-fiction is called for and it is not in this library we try to borrow it. This year we borrowed more than 80. Most of these books came from the Massachusetts State Library, but a few were from public libraries. This Inter-Library Loan system is a great help to the smaller libraries, which cannot afford to buy some of the expensive books or those which are wanted by only a few.

There is not enough space to mention all of those who have so kindly given 526 books to the library this year, but each gift was appreciated. We do wish, however, to thank the Athol Daily News for the publicity it has given the library and also those organizations and individuals who have made the Library Service Association possible.

Respectfully submitted,

GLADYS C. GREENE, Librarian.

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### STATISTICS, 1935

#### Circulation:

Adult	54,678	
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Juvenile	24,041	
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Total		78,719
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Circulation per capita		7
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Number of days open during the year		303
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Number of hours open during the week	60
Number of volumes in library at the beginning of 1935	15,870
Number of volumes added by purchase	933
Number of volumes added by gift	526
Number of volumes bought for library by the Library Service Association	65
Number of volumes withdrawn	759
Total number of volumes at the end of the year	16,635
Number of new borrowers registered	456
Total number of borrowers	6,752

## CIRCULATION BY CLASSES

Adult		Juvenile	
General Works	47	General Works	16
Philosophy	363	Bible Stories	24
Religion	179	Fairy Tales	1105
Sociology	648	Grammar	4
Grammar	85	Science	496
Science	395	Useful Arts	379
Useful Arts	768	Fine Arts	245
Fine Arts	746	Literature	393
Literature	976	History	520
History	497	Travel	537
Travel	1188	Biography	568
Biography	958	Magazines	77
Magazines	2452	Pictures	1
Pictures	43	Fiction	19676
Pamphlets	55		
Foreign Books	285	Total	24041
Fiction	44993		
Total	54678		
Grand Total			78,719

**Foreign Circulation**

Greek	5	Italian	146
Yiddish	23	Lithuanian	54
French	57		

**Deposit Stations**

Schools	107	Warwick Transient	
Town Farm	77	Camp	384
Miss Pitts' Store	2117	Athol CCC	100

# Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Athol, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the Annual Report of the Department of Weights and Measures for the year 1935.

## Work Performed during the year 1935

	A	S	NS	C
Platform Scales (Capacity over 5000)	2	10		
Platform Scales (Capacity under 5000)	8	91	2	
Counter Scales	8	85		2
Beam Scales	1	10		
Spring Scales	6	63		5
Computing Scales	4	60	1	1
Personal Weighing Scales		21		
Prescription Scales		7		
Avordupois Weights		581		1
Apothecary Weights		134		
Metric Weights		87		
Vehicle Tanks		2		
Liquid Measures		137		6
Gasoline Pumps	2	74	10	2
Gasoline Meters		2		
Kerosene Pumps		28		
Oil Measuring Pumps	19	122		
Molasses Measuring Pumps		9		
Quantity Stops		231		
Yard Sticks		23		
	50	1737	13	17

No fees are charged for work done at this office on advertised days. Fees charged for work done outside of this office and turned over to the Town Treasurer as follows for the year ending Dec 31, 1935 \$174.96.

### Inspections

	Times
Stores	162
Liquid Commodities (remeasured gals.)	73
Dry Commodities (remeasured)	197
Food Packages (remeasured)	11
Peddlers' Scales	2
Ice Scales	7
Junk Scales	3
Oil Jars	2
Berry Baskets	1
Retests of Gasoline Devices	21
Peddlers' Licenses	5
Markings of Bread	6
Cord Wood Remeasured (Cords)	206

All complaints of insufficient weight or measure received at this office will be considered confidential and promptly investigated

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. MELLE  
 Sealer of Weights and  
 Measures.

## Report of Local Moth Superintendent

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Athol.

I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1935. Began scouting Gipsy Moths October 21st with five men, two of them veterans. We were a little later in starting than usual as the foliage was very thick on the trees quite late this year. Egg clusters were not as plentiful as last year, but were more difficult to get at. Many of them were on very tall trees and near the top of the tree. It was necessary to climb the larger ones to get the egg clusters.

We were out fifty and one-half days and destroyed 145,036 egg clusters—only half of what we found in 1934. We put out 2,000 pounds of lead in spraying. Most of the roadsides were sprayed. Most of the roads were freer from moths than in 1934. I think spraying helped, but is quite expensive.

Respectfully submitted,

M L. GERHARD,  
Local Moth Superintendent



# Report of Fire Department

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of the Town of Athol.

We respectfully submit the report of the Athol Fire Department for the year 1935.

During the year we have responded to a total of 310 alarms as follows: 21 box; 11 emergency; 1 false; 7 out-of-town; 37 grass or brush.

The balance were mostly chimney fires or small partition fires caused by defective chimneys.

Total value of property endangered by fire was \$587,300.00. Insurance carried on same being \$528,300. While the loss reported to the Department was \$16,242.

## Engines

The apparatus of the department consists of the following pieces:

One 750 gallon pump and hose car purchased in 1923.

One 600 gallon pump and hose cart purchased in 1928.

Both engines are equipped with booster pumps and are Seagrave make.

### **Combination Hose Cars**

One Brockway truck, with 40-gallon chemical tank, which was bought in 1919. It carries 1000 ft. 2½ inch hose and 200 feet of ¾ inch hose.

Also a truck which we have used for brush fires and upon which is mounted a 40 gallon chemical tank. The body and tank were built on a second-hand Pierce Arrow chassis. At present we are using it as a hose wagon for a substitute for the old No. 4 Seagrave Combination purchased in 1913 and discarded in 1935.

### **Ladder Trucks**

One City Service Seagrave Ladder Truck carrying about 260 feet of ladders, purchased in 1921.

One Peter Pirsh horse drawn ladder truck more than 20 years old but still in good condition. There are no horses to be had for drawing this piece of apparatus, and a tractor should be bought in order that this ladder truck might be used in case of accident to the other truck. It could also be put into service if needed at a large fire.

### **Other Apparatus**

At South Athol there is a chemical tank installed on an old Ford chassis. Both were purchased in 1914. We do not think this is adequate protection for South Athol, as there is much valuable property located there.

One Chief's car purchased second-hand in 1935 and used quite often at small fires instead of the heavier apparatus. It is a Nash seven-passenger type.

### **Repairs to Apparatus**

Engines No. 1 and 3, and Hose No. 2 have been repainted during the year.

### **Employees**

The personnel of the department consists of 50 employees ranking as follows:

Chief, 2 Deputies, 5 Captains, 5 Lieuts.; 5 Clerks; Supt. of Fire Alarm; 4 Permanent Drivers. The remainder are members of various hose and ladder companies.

### **Fire Stations**

There are three fire stations, one known as Station No. 1 at 206 Exchange street, Station No. 2 at 7 Pleasant street and a small station at South Athol.

Station No. 1 has been remodelled during the year through an E.R.A. project. This cost the town \$2100 and the government about \$2300.

The partitions were all removed making one large room on the ground floor for apparatus, and two large overhead doors were installed making it much easier in driving out and backing in the apparatus.

The front stairway was taken out and a spiral stairway was erected in the rear of the room. A new wiring job was done throughout, and new lighting fixtures were used on the ground floor. All wires leading to the station are underground, which makes the fire alarm system a more positive force in the department.

A new cement floor was laid and two new walks. One sidewalk in front of the station, and one on the south side leading to the police station.

The walls were all painted and the station is one of which the Town can feel justly proud.

Another small project was used for beautifying the grounds at Station 2 on the east side of the station. A small park was built with trees and shrubbery planted, and the ground grassed over. This project cost the town about \$100 and the government about \$200.

There were built during the year 2 water holes. One on Pleasant street near the property of Harlan King which protects seven houses and one on Riceville Road, protecting the CCC camps and four houses. We understand more will be built next year.

The Dept. has in service 7500 ft. of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch hose, of which 5000 feet is in good condition, while the rest will have to be replaced over a period of 2 or 3 years.

Also there are 400 feet of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch hose double jacket type, and 900 feet of  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch rubber hose used on chemical tanks and booster pump lines.

Each year we are forced to condemn as much  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch hose as we purchase, and should have enough at all times to insure a change when hose is wet or frozen. It is safe to assume that hose which is more than 10 years old is not reliable, and therefore no asset to any department.

Chief—E. E. SMITH

Deputies—I. DOWER

T. SCHMIDT

THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
Athol Water Department

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COMMISSIONERS

E. Warren Tyler (Chairman)

Term as commissioner expires 1938

Frank L. Thayer Term as commissioner expires 1936

Frank P. Hall (Clerk)

Term as commissioner expires 1937

SUPERINTENDENT

Frank P. Hall

FOREMAN

Dell Venette

CARETAKER OF FILTERS

A. Harry Sawyer

CLERK

Robert Wm. Glasheen

Miss Teresa Hausmann, Stenographer

Office of the Department, Room 17, Memorial Building

584 Main Street Telephone 341-W

Shop of the Department, Electric Street Telephone 341-R

IN CASE OF LEAKS OR BROKEN MAINS OR HY-  
DRANTS, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SUPERINTENDENT

Day Calls, 341-W. Night Calls, 590.

Night calls for foreman, 603.



## Commissioners Report

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens  
of Athol:

At the annual Town Meeting held February fourth, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, Mr. E. Warren Tyler was re-elected a member of the Water Commission for a term of three years. At the annual meeting of the Commissioners held February sixth, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, Mr. E. Warren Tyler was re-elected Chairman and Frank P Hall Clerk for the ensuing year.

In addition to the regular maintenance work the Department has laid two thousand one hundred and fifty-nine feet of new mains, and replaced seventy-nine feet of old main with pipe of larger size. The pipe line at Harvard Avenue at the junction of Chestnut Street has been lowered to prevent freezing because of the changing of the grade on Chestnut Street. Three hydrants have been re-located. Fifteen new services have been added to the system and twenty-four services renewed.

The channel at the Summer Street Reservoir has been greatly improved by removing the cobblestone walls and replacing them with cement. The bottom of the channel was also cemented.

### Gypsy Moth

The infestation of the Gypsy Moth on the water sheds during the year 1934 was very severe. We kept a crew

of men all winter painting egg clusters. Over 850,000 clusters were painted each containing about 400 eggs with an unknown quantity destroyed by burning brush. Complying with the vote of the town at its annual Town Meeting, your commissioners, after attending several demonstrations of spraying machines, purchased from the Fitzhenry Guptill Company of Cambridge, one of their models (FX) power sprayers with a 400 gallon solution tank, costing \$1,187.02. From Brewer & Carlson Company we purchased a second hand Ford Truck for \$350. One thousand fifty feet of hose for use on the sprayer was purchased from the Hewitt Rubber Company for \$683.55, making the total cost of equipment \$2,220.57. The machine proved very satisfactory and it is not only used by us, but by several of the other town departments throughout the year.

### Central Filtration Plant

For a number of years a condition has existed in our present water supply due to a growth of algae which although not injurious to the public health, gave to the water an odor, color and a very undesirous taste. For the past few years this has been more noticeable in the waters of Phillipston Reservoir, although in previous years it has been found in the waters of Newton Reservoir. Also due to the color, the Thousand Acre Reservoir water could only be used in very dry seasons. The commissioners have known that this condition existed, but because of the heavy principal and interest payments due each year on the loan of 1906 amounting to \$350,000.00 and the loan of 1911 of \$30,000.00, it was deemed best not to burden the citizens with any additional loan until the above bond issues were paid. The last payment on the 1906 loan alone is to be made in August of this year.

The Federal Government through the Public Works

Administration offered to pay 45% of the cost of any improvements to the supply. With these two things in mind we engaged the services of Tighe & Bond, consulting engineers, who working with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, made a complete survey of the system. They submitted four different plans for the purification of the Athol Water Supply. Of the plans submitted it was deemed best because of the conditions of all the reservoirs, to recommend to the town the erection of a modern filtration plant at the Summer Street Reservoir. This will enable us to filter all the water from the three reservoirs at one central filtration plant. This plan was accepted by the voters of the town at a special Town Meeting held September 23, 1935. The Public Works Administration have accepted the same plan and agreed to pay 45% of the cost of the same.

The Town Treasurer was authorized at this meeting to issue either bonds or notes to the Town for \$57,000.00 to meet our share of the expenses. (This amount to be paid back through water revenue.) This money was borrowed from the Merchants' National Bank of Boston at the extreme low rate of  $1\frac{3}{4}\%$  with a premium of \$57.60 over a fifteen year period. The loans of 1906 and 1911 were borrowed at the rate of 4%.

To date one contract, that for the erection of the standpipe has been awarded to the McClintic Marshall Corporation of Boston, the low bidder for \$8,820.00. Additional contracts will be advertised for bids sometime in February, the construction of the same will be started early in the Spring.

Respectfully submitted,

E. WARREN TYLER  
FRANK L. THAYER  
FRANK P. HALL  
Board of Water Commissioners

# RAINFALL AT ATHOL, MASS.

Elevation 1,000 feet

(Water Works)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
1931	2.98	2.29	4.79	2.91	5.54	4.06	2.49	6.00	2.93	3.64	1.70	4.06	43.39
1932	4.79	2.58	5.90	2.12	2.04	1.73	5.97	3.65	5.84	5.35	4.37	1.91	46.25
1933	2.64	3.87	5.80	5.76	2.33	2.20	3.62	7.52	9.62	5.27	1.69	3.97	54.29
1934	3.58	2.69	3.34	3.73	3.59	5.49	3.60	2.95	8.35	2.83	3.95	4.63	43.73
1935	5.47	3.13	1.73	3.88	2.96	5.49	3.26	1.42	4.55	1.30	4.40	1.04	38.63
Average Previous to Years													
	3.08	2.51	3.00	3.87	2.93	5.02	4.88	3.35	2.91	3.22	4.36	2.96	42.14

# PHILLIPSTON GAGE

Elevation 1,100 feet

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
1931	1.71	2.24	3.81	2.84	4.52	3.81	2.41	5.62	2.47	3.70	1.41	4.35	38.89
1932	4.00	1.68	5.22	1.97	1.92	1.98	5.12	3.29	5.39	4.36	4.44	1.61	40.93
1933	2.37	3.61	4.79	5.65	2.54	2.21	2.70	6.44	8.57	4.62	1.63	3.06	43.19
1934	3.12	2.18	3.57	3.99	3.14	5.34	3.99	2.43	7.92	2.51	4.28	3.61	43.08
1935	5.77	2.71	1.71	2.39	2.62	5.15	2.67	1.47	4.34	1.11	4.12	.80	34.86
Average Previous to Years													
	2.73	2.52	2.90	3.54	3.18	4.74	4.45	3.31	2.58	3.05	4.25	2.78	40.09



CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN COMPARISON  
TO METER INSTALLATION IN ATHOL, MASS.  
from 1922 to 1935

Year	Consumption by years gallons	Consumption by days gallons	New Services	Meters Installed	Total Meters
1922	435,445,000	1,193,000	61	79	79
1923	421,210,000	1,154,000	35		79
1924	335,435,000	919,000	27	185	264
1925	301,500,254	826,028	26	180	444
1926	284,807,452	780,295	37	334	778
1927	250,872,700	687,323	43	191	969
1928	258,689,600	708,714	41	246	1215
1929	256,232,500	702,007	33	204	1419
1930	213,153,100	583,981	47	156	1575
1931	226,661,398	620,990	52	153	1728
1932	211,208,500	577,072	27	25	1753
1933	230,396,500	631,223	16	35	1788
1934	248,229,661	680,081	18	28	1816
1935	226,940,600	621,755	15	17	1833
			<u>478</u>	<u>1,833</u>	

478 New Services added from 1922 to 1935 inclusive

1,833 Meters in use December 31, 1935

.9735 of active services metered December 31, 1935



## NEW PIPE LINES

Harvard Avenue	672 feet of 6-inch
Shore Drive	576 feet of 6-inch
Summit Avenue	546 feet of 6-inch
Union Street	93 feet of 6-inch
Common Street	124 feet of 4-inch
South Main Street	148 feet of 2-inch
Total	2,159 feet

## REPLACEMENTS

Union Street 79 feet of 6-inch replacing 2-inch

THE FOLLOWING PIPE LINES HAVE BEEN LOW-  
ERED TO PREVENT FREEZING

Harvard Avenue across Chestnut Street  
110 feet of 6-inch

## REPLACED AND RELOCATED HYDRANTS

No. 91—South Athol Road opposite Sinclair station  
from opposite No. 22 South Athol Road  
2 Way and Steamer

## REPLACED HYDRANT

No. 20—Exchange Street opposite  
Fire Station 4 Way

## RELOCATED HYDRANT

No. 89—South Street corner of Freedom  
Moved back 2 Way

## SERVICES

Number of services added during the year 15  
Renewal of old services 24

## METERS

Number of meters installed during 1935	17
Number of meters in service previous to 1935	1816
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Number of meters in service December 31, 1935	1833

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## Accounts Receivable

January 1st, 1935	\$9,407.60	
Water Liens	836.82	
Tax Titles	208.89	
	<hr/>	\$10,453.31

## Commitments January 1st to December 31st, 1935

51,031.85	
<hr/>	\$61,485.16

## Payments to Treasurer January 1st to December 31st, 1935

\$48,014.51	
Tax Title	225.75
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	\$48,240.26

## Abatements

January 1st to December 31st, 1935	608.26
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## Accounts Receivable

December 31st, 1935	\$11,863.98	
Water Liens	551.96	
Tax Title	220.70	
	<hr/>	12,636.64

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\$61,485.16

## RECEIPTS

Sale of Water		
Domestic Meter		
Rates	\$36,171.96	
Domestic Meter		
Rates Liens	219.32	
	<hr/>	\$36,391.28
Manufacturer		
Meter Rates		4,088.17
Flat Rates	\$ 3,695.20	
Flat Rates Liens	6.17	
	<hr/>	3,701.37
Tax Titles		225.75
	<hr/>	\$44,406.57
Services & Miscellaneous		3,833.69
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Total Receipts		\$48,240.26
Premium & Accrued Interest on		
Sale of Filtration Plant notes		
to be reserved for 1936 interest		57.60
Balance January 1st, 1935		29,858.68
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		\$78,156.54
Balance December 31st, 1935	\$24,099.84	
Paid Vouchers No. 5060 to No. 7265		
Inclusive under Expenditures	54,056.70	
	<hr/>	\$78,156.54

## CENTRAL FILTRATION PLANT

Appropriation	\$57,000.00	
Disbursements		\$ 293.99
Unexpended Balance		56,706.01
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	\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00

## BONDS AND INTEREST

Appropriation	\$20,720.00	
Disbursements		\$20,720.00

## NEW EQUIPMENT

Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00	
Disbursements		\$ 2,901.17
Unexpended Balance		98.83
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	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

## MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$37,000.00	
Disbursements:		
General		\$15,083.81
Gypsy Moth Extermination		4,017.75
Extension of Mains		3,600.28
Services & Miscellaneous		2,560.65
Meters and Repairs		416.64
Automobiles and Trucks		1,386.95
Improvements		3,369.45
Unexpended Balance		6,564.47
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	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00

## Fixed Expenditures

Water Loan Bonds 1906	\$350,000.00	
Water Loan Bonds 1911	30,000.00	
Central Filtration Plant		
notes 1935	57,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$437,000.00
Amount paid in 29 years	\$356,000.00	
Amount due Bond Holders		
December 31, 1935	24,000.00	
Amount due Central Filtration		
Plant Note Holders December		
31, 1935	57,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$437,000.00

## Fixed Expenditures for 1936

February bond interest payable \$	480.00	
August bond interest payable	480.00	
August bonds payable	19,000.00	
November interest Filtration		
Plant notes payable	939.90	
Accrued interest and premium on		
Sale of Filtration Plant Notes		
Reserved for 1936 Interest	57.60	
November Filtration Plant Notes		
Payable	6,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 26,957.50



# Report of the Board of Health

## For the Year 1935

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The following cases of contagious diseases have been reported:

German Measles	10
Measles	25
Diphtheria	1
Scarlet Fever	2
Lobar Pneumonia	10
Tuberculosis	
(all types)	22
Dog Bite	4

No cases of dog bite required anti-rabic treatment and there were very few cases of contagious disease for whose care we were responsible. At the beginning of the year, we were paying for the care of four tubercular patients at Westfield, and eight at West Boylston. There have been 11 new patients, 9 were discharged as cured, and one has died. At present we defray the expenses of 4 patients at Westfield, 6 at West Boylston, and one at North Reading.

COMPLAINTS, of which there have been a large number, have received prompt attention. LICENSES, — Alcohol, Carbonated Water, Manicure, Slaughtering, Undertaking, Ice Cream, and Pasteurizing, have been issued, as well as 103 burial permits. Meetings of the Board of Health have been held every other Friday night throughout the year.

The CONTAGIOUS HOSPITAL has taken on a new lease of life with a coat of paint and other exterior and interior repairs. It is now in excellent condition, a place worthy of the name "Contagious Hospital." A very fine cesspool has been constructed and the heating plant renovated. The present occupants have been most interested in making the improvements and they are more than willing to do all the repair work of which they have knowledge. Consequently our bills have been mostly for materials and supplies. We wish to express here our appreciation of their cooperation with us.

No DIPHTHERIA CLINIC was conducted. All parents whose very young children have not as yet been inoculated were sent leaflets which advised them to take their children to the family physician for immunization. From the time when the free clinics were first established, we have constantly advised the public that such clinics might not go on forever. Our purpose has been to prove the value of inoculation against diphtheria so that parents would feel the necessity of calling upon their private physician for this work just as they would if their children were ill.

The CHEST CLINIC, under the direction of the District Nurse, was held the fourth Wednesday in each month except December. The report of work done at this clinic follows:

## Patients examined at

THE ATHOL CONSULTATION CLINIC	285
New Patients	182
Re-examinations	103
X Rays taken	255
Pulmonary type found	11
Athol residents	5
Childhood type found	4
Athol residents	3
Other forms	1
Athol resident	1
Recommended for Sanatorium Care	13
Admitted to Sanatoria (Athol residents)	6
Patients admitted from:	

Orange	Warwick
Erving	Phillipston
Farley	Royalston
Millington	Barre
Leverett	Baldwinville
New Salem	Templeton

## Athol

Tuberculosis Deaths	4
Patients in Sanatoria, January 1, 1936	
West Boylston	6
Westfield	10
Tewksbury	1

## 7th - 9th - 11th GRADE CHEST CLINIC

Attendance in these grades	501	
Skin tested	312	5-20-35
Positive re-actors	115	5-23-35
X Rayed — 6-3-35		
Physicals	18	6-11-35

## SPECIAL CHILDREN'S CHEST CLINIC

Because of the large attendance at the regular monthly Chest Clinic the State Department of Tubercu-

losis decided in favor of a special clinic for school children.

On November 5th, 65 children who were either direct contacts or who were sent to the Clinic by family physicians, were X Rayed and skin tested under the direction of Dr. David Zacks.

December 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, each child accompanied by their parents was given a physical (chest) examination.

One Pulmonary case was found and the child immediately began sanatorium treatment.

9 children were discharged and the other 55 were advised to continue yearly re-examinations for an indefinite period.

The number of visits and other work done by the DISTRICT NURSE, MRS. LOUISE HATSTAT, with the assistance of the W. P. A. nurse, MISS NORMA MARONI, is tabulated below:

Town Nursing Visits	398
Metropolitan Nursing Visits	173
Operations (assisted at)	3
Confinements	14
Night Calls	5
School Visits	16
Baby Hygiene Home Visits	155
Board of Health Visits	45
Pre-Natal Visits	64
Post-Natal Visits	119
New Born Baby Visits	113
Tuberculosis Visits	562
Social Service Visits	1090

Baby Clinics	41
Diphtheria Clinics	1
Tuberculosis Clinics	18
Hospital Trips	67
Doctor's Office Visits	43
Public Health Lectures, Con- sultations, etc.	143
Total	3070

Owing to the many changes which have been occurring throughout the year in the milk regulations, we have been forced at our meetings and at other times to devote an unusual amount of attention to the milk situation.

The report of the MILK INSPECTOR, Mr. Thomas Dillon, follows:

"Considerable improvement has been made in the dairies and milk rooms of the farms producing milk for the Town of Athol. This helps to insure us a cleaner and better product. All the dairy farms supplying milk to Athol have been inspected and tests made of the milk for butter fat, solids and sediment. I am pleased to report that the sediment tests showed the milk to be very clean as a whole. The following shows the results of the butter fat and solids tests and compares them with the required standard tests of the state. It may be of further interest to know that in addition to the regular dairies supplying milk to the town that we have two grade A dairies that are qualified to make milk to be pasteurized and sold as grade A milk. I wish to state that all funds collected by me for milk licenses have been deposited with the treasurer of the Town of Athol.

Table

	Butter Fat	Total Solids
Supply for town of Athol	4.05%	12.76%
State Requirements	3.35%	12.00%



GARBAGE and RUBBISH have been collected efficiently by MR. FRANK SIMONDS. No complaints were received about the Public Dump as they were when it was located on the South Athol Road.

MR. P. L. McDONALD, the PLUMBING INSPECTOR, issued 92 plumbing permits this year. 36 cases were investigated before these permits were issued and 14 cases of allegedly illegal plumbing jobs were examined.

The amount of work done at the DENTAL CLINIC is reported by MRS. RIDD and DR. H. E. SMITH as follows:

Clinic Days	102
Children Attending	717
Permanent Teeth Filled	325
Permanent Teeth Extracted	32
Deciduous Teeth Filled	42
Deciduous Teeth Extracted	587
Cleanings	149
No Charges	241

MR. C. E. VAUGHN, the SLAUGHTERING INSPECTOR, makes the following report:

Animals killed and inspected:

Veal	272
Hogs	107
Beef	86
Sheep	2

Total	467
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Three veal were condemned, all underweight. One hog, which was hurt in a truck, and died in the slaughterhouse, was condemned.

Two pigs condemned, underweight.

Hours labor for the year, 440.

Miles travelled during the year, 811.

None of our appropriations have been increased the past few years. However, with the changes that have come about in the work of the District Nurse, we are protecting our citizens better than at any time previously. We have succeeded in conducting the affairs of the Department economically and at the same time for the best interests of the public health.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK W. FULLER  
MARION B. SIBLEY  
STANLEY B. LYMAN  
Board of Health.

## Report of the Treasurer

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Cash on hand January 1, 1935	\$86,576.81
Total Receipts	827,326.77

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\$913,903.58

Payments as per weekly warrants issued by  
the Board of Selectmen and Town Ac-  
countant

\$770,614.28

Cash on hand December 31, 1935

143,289.30

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\$913,903.58

### Tax Titles

Tax Titles held Jan. 1, 1935

\$ 6,858.74

Additional Commitments by Collector

6,868.16

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\$ 13,726.90

Less:

Tax Titles Redeemed	\$7,390.42	
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Tax Titles Assigned or Sold	26.03	7,416.45
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Tax Titles held December 31, 1935

\$ 6,310.45

CHARLES W. FAULKNER, Treasurer.

## Payments on Indebtedness in 1935 in Detail

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### Paid Merchants National Bank, Boston, Mass.

Municipal Land Loan of 1928	\$ 4,000.00
Sewer Loan of 1922	2,000.00
Sewer Loan of 1932	2,000.00
Town Hall & Memorial Building Loan of 1923	2,000.00
Playground Loan of 1934	3,000.00

### Paid First National Bank, Boston, Mass.

Town Hall and Memorial Building Loans	10,500.00
Water Loan	1,000.00

### Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Emergency Welfare Loan of 1933	10,000.00
Water Loan	12,000.00
Tax Title Loan of 1935 (due Oct. 1, 1936)	5,000.00

### Paid Union Trust Co., Boston, Mass.

Water Loan	6,000.00
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Total Payments in 1935	<hr/>	\$ 57,500.00
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# Town of Athol Indebtedness

## December 31, 1935

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Municipal Land Loan of 1928		
Due in 1936		\$ 4,000.00
Playground Loan of 1934		
\$3,000 due each year 1936-38		
\$2,000 due in 1939		11,000.00
Town Hall and Memorial Building		
Loan of 1918		
\$7,500 due each year 1936-39	30,000.00	
Loan of 1922		
\$3,000 due each year 1936-42	21,000.00	
Loan of 1923		
\$2,000 due each year 1936-43	16,000.00	
		<hr/> 67,000.00
Emergency Welfare Loan of 1933		
Due in 1936		10,000.00
Municipal Relief Loan of 1935		
\$3,000 due each year 1936-42		21,000.00
Sewer Debt		
Loan of 1908	14,000.00	
Loan of 1922		
\$2,000 due each year 1936-42	14,000.00	
Loan of 1932		
\$2,000 due each year 1936-43	16,000.00	
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## Water Debt

Due in 1936	19,000.00
\$1,000 due each year 1937-41	5,000.00

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 24,000.00

## Central Water Filtration Loan of 1935

\$6,000 due each year 1936-43	48,000.00
\$3,000 due in 1944	3,000.00
\$1,000 due each year 1945-50	6,000.00

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 57,000.00

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 Total Bonded Indebtedness \$238,000.00

Temporary Loan in Anticipation of Revenue 50,000.00

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 Total Debt \$288,000.00

C. W. FAULKNER, Treasurer.

## Report of the Board of Public Welfare

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The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its annual report, covering the year from January 1 to December 31, 1935, inclusive:

There are three specific reasons why Welfare operates. In the first place, the law says that all needy persons in our midst shall be taken care of, and it leaves the towns no choice. This includes non-citizens, non-residents, as well as residents. In the second place, it is the only humane way to do; and last, it is for the protection of all, as riots and civil strife would result if persons were allowed to go hungry and cold.

Your Welfare Board has done its best in taking care of the local situation, distributing aid as economically as possible, yet striving to see that no one suffered for lack of the necessities of life.

Never has Welfare passed through such an uncertain time as experienced from month to month during 1935. Delays in changing over from E. R. A. to W. P. A., failure by the Federal Government to pay its workmen on time, and the general "tightening up" of Federal relief, caused a fluctuation in Welfare cases far greater than in

1934, when the E. R. A. operated in a smooth and efficient manner, with a home office much in control of the local situation. Under W. P. A. and its distant control, it is practically impossible to get new Welfare charges enrolled for Federal work. There has also been a slowing up of available openings in C. C. C. camps, with word that no applications will be received in January. While cities and towns are still absolutely dependent on Federal assistance, Welfare is unable to secure the benefits today as were derived under C. W. A. or E. R. A. Food prices and in fact the cost of all life's necessities have greatly increased over 1934. These increases of course are reflected in the Welfare budget. The irregularities in the shoe business, the closing of one old-time factory, throwing all hands out of employment, and the inability of the average man to secure credit, have been important factors for increasing Welfare expenses.

The shiftless, the inebriates, and the ne'er-do-wells, will always be with us. These persons are far in the minority, but prominent enough to often make some persons wonder why they are tolerated by Welfare. In practically every case they represent large families and the children are not to blame for their parents' faults, and must be cared for. When the head of the household of this nature is in jail, the town has total support of the family, and it is generally costly. It is a hard question to decide, many times, whether it is best to bring charges to place the man in jail, or to try other methods. Through patience and studying the make-up of the offending individual, it is often possible to steer the family safely over a long period, without interruption.

Most of the Welfare applicants wish to work. The average man wants employment at a living wage, and we are constantly besieged by persons who expect us to provide work for them. At this time, we wish to thank

the several manufacturing concerns who have co-operated with us in the past year by giving employment to Welfare recipients who qualified for the open jobs.

The Welfare Department has secured its share of E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects. At the present time, a project is closing which will furnish the town nearly 400 cords of wood. This fuel is being distributed to Welfare and Soldiers' Relief cases, at a cost to the town of around \$2.00 per cord. A septic tank has just been finished at the Infirmary, which cares for all sewerage that heretofore emptied on the surface of the ground. A project is now in operation at the Infirmary which will remove large quantities of rocks and convert waste land into tillage.

The number of persons aided means but little in cost comparison. It is the kind of aid that shows in dollars and cents. A large group may be aided one month cheaper than a smaller group another month. For instance, a family of eight may need only one small grocery order to tide them over, while a family of three may be given medical, hospitalization, in addition to other support. One of the most expensive cases of the year was a family of eight. The man had weeks of hospitalization; one son was also in the hospital for several weeks, and we had the total support of the family at a cost of over \$1,300. It is not an Athol settled case, and the outlay will eventually come back to the Town treasury.

Fortunately for Athol, a main Federal Commissary is located here, which serves Athol and eleven surrounding towns. Large quantities of food and clothing are distributed to Welfare, Soldiers' Relief and W. P. A. cases. An expensive trucking charge is saved this town through the location of the Commissary here, as other towns in the district are obliged to come to Athol for all goods received, as well as to secure materials for sewing projects which they may have in operation. Finished goods from



the sewing projects must also be brought to the main Commissary for distribution.

### **Infirmary**

The Infirmary is always filled to capacity, and because of lack of room, we are obliged to assist several individuals who should be at the Infirmary. A W. P. A. project has been drawn up and approved by the Federal government calling for an addition. It is proposed to construct a two-story building joining the rear of the present inmates' quarters, 32 ft. x 30 ft. 4 in. Sunparlors are provided in the plans, and wards for men and women. All labor will be paid by the Federal government and the cost to the town for materials and furnishings is estimated at \$3,800.00. If, for any reason, the Infirmary should be abandoned, the buildings could be used for hospital purposes. Boarders from Welfare Departments of nearby towns could be accommodated here if there should be available room. The question as to whether this addition is advisable will be brought up at the annual meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Justin E. Welch, who have served efficiently for so many years as Warden and Matron, continue at the Infirmary.

### **Old Age Assistance**

We are now furnishing Old Age Assistance to 94 persons in Athol, and to 5 persons in other towns and cities with Athol settlement. This number will probably increase materially through 1936, owing to a change in the statutes which now allows assistance to persons 70 years of age or over, who have resided in the Commonwealth "not less than five years during the nine years immediately preceding the date of application for such assistance and who shall have resided in the Commonwealth continuously for one year immediately preceding said date of application." Previously, it required twenty



consecutive years of residence in the Commonwealth to be entitled to this form of relief. The revised law still requires that local bureaus give consideration to the resources of the aged applicants and to the ability of children and others to support such aged persons. Up to the present time, we have received no instructions as to how the Federal contribution will be applied to reimburse municipalities for their outlay on Old Age Assistance. We are in hopes that funds will be available to allow increases to a number of the present recipients.

According to the records of the Town Physician, Dr. Marion B. Sibley, and Dr. Ray Fessenden, assistant, the total number of house calls figured 1903; office visits, 1314; visits to the Town Infirmary, 111; patients seen at the Town Infirmary, 184.

Tabulation of cases aided during the year:

	Number of families aided	Persons repre- sented	Single Persons aided	Total Persons aided
January	243	1069	59	1128
February	247	1079	64	1143
March	179	776	57	833
April	173	729	56	785
May	164	703	56	759
June	134	602	57	659
July	129	586	58	644
August	135	606	61	667
September	146	647	67	714
October	157	705	65	770
November	177	790	60	850
December	225	1027	64	1091

(In above figures, single persons listed each month include inmates of the Town Infirmary.)

Number of persons aided with Athol settlement	1128
Number of persons aided as unsettled	405
Number of persons aided with settlement in other cities or towns	163
Number of persons aided in other cities and towns with Athol settlement	47
Number of persons aided with undetermined settlement	20
Total number of families aided	488
Persons represented in families aided	1670
Single persons aided	93
Total persons aided during year	1763

Comparison: Total persons aided in 1934 — 1580.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL HAYDEN,

Chairman

R. BURTON WATERMAN,

Clerk

JAMES G. SISSON

Board of Public Welfare.

## Report of Tree Warden 1935

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The annual report of the Tree Warden and the work accomplished by his Department during the past year.

During the first half of 1935 much work was done on the trees, many roads and streets were cleared of brush, the trees trimmed and removed. The work was well done and the money well spent.

With the co-operation of the Water Department, a large area of the town was sprayed, 8,000 gallons of spraying mixture was used.

With the approval of the Selectmen and Highway Department we were enabled to clear a large area of trees and brush, so that the Gage Road and the new Daniel Shay's highway are connected.

On the E. R. A. and P. W. A. projects for Athol center, many trees throughout Main St., Union, Walnut, Ridge Ave., South, Mt. Pleasant, Freedom, Pine, Hapgood Rd., Riverbend, Allen, Congress, School, Liberty, part of

Pleasant St., Spring, Silver Lake, Brattle, Chestnut Hill, Drury and Highland Aves., much deadwood removed, cavity work done and a few trees cabled.

The Tree Department truck and some of the material used was maintained by the town allotment for the E. R. A.

Again having the appropriation of Veterans' Hire this year enabled me to accomplish much of the work of clearing brush and trimming trees.

In the clearing of the lines of the Athol Gas & Electric Co., New England Telephone Co. and the Postal Telegraph Co., my aim has been as in the past, to protect both privately owned and town trees.

As your Tree Warden, I shall always consider it a privilege to cooperate with the citizens of Athol.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. BACON

## Report of the Athol Bi-Centennial Committee

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To the Citizens of Athol:

At the Annual Town Meeting in February, 1935, it was voted that the Town celebrate the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the first settlers in our town. This was left to a committee appointed by the Moderator.

This committee decided that in view of present conditions in the Town, it was not advisable to hold anything elaborate, as was held in 1912 upon the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the Incorporation of the Town. We determined to confine our activities to three days and set upon September 20, 21 and 22 as the dates.

On Friday, September 20, there were two illustrated historical lectures given in Memorial Hall; one at 2.00 P.M. for the junior grades of the schools and one at 8.00 P.M. for the higher grades.

On Saturday, September 21, there was a historical pageant "Unfolding 200 Years" given at Athol Fairgrounds. This pageant was written and directed by Roy W. French of Orange, Massachusetts, to whom the committee is under deep obligations for making this the success which it was.



On Sunday, September 22, at every church in the Town there was a special notice of the anniversary and some exercises were held in commemoration of the event. Sunday evening at 7.30 P.M. there was another illustrated historical lecture in Memorial Hall, open to the general public.

These events were all well attended and we feel were a decided success.

During the days of the celebration, there was a historical exhibit in the store at 525 Main Street. The large number of people who visited this exhibit satisfied us that this was no small part of the celebration. Temporary markers were placed on the sites of special historical interest in the town, which did much to add to the general knowledge of local history.

The committee would express its appreciation of the wonderful co-operation given it by all the people who were asked to assist.

The report of the Town Accountant gives the financial outlay in detail and need not be repeated here. Suffice it to say that we were able to carry out our entire program with a net expense to the town of \$335.05. In addition to this, there was a direct donation of \$25 from the Athol Woman's Club and a further donation by members of the committee of approximately \$60.

Respectfully submitted,

ATHOL BI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

By: William G. Lord, Chairman

## Report of Cemetery Commissioners For the year 1935

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The conditions under which we have carried on during the year 1935 have been very unusual. Our appropriation for the year was small but owing to the help of the Veterans' Hire and the men sent us by the Welfare Department we were able to come through the year with a small balance.

The lack of rainfall since the last of July eliminated the expense of mowing during the latter half of the Summer and much of the regular fall work we were unable to do.

The low death rate also contributed toward the saving of quite a sum for labor. There being about thirty burials less in the year 1935 than in the year 1934.

We have been able to accomplish a large amount of work through the E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects.

We have completed a project of Trimming the Trees in all the Cemeteries of the town.

Finishing the Pond in the lower part of the Silver Lake Cemetery, building a stone bridge and a dam to hold back the water and making this part, which was originally only a dump, into a beauty spot.

The project of Terracing the hill by means of stone walls is nearing completion and two of the lots are already sold.

In the Highland Cemetery we have dug over a section of land taking out all the stones and making it available for lots.

We have erected a stone wall along the creek at the back of the Cemetery filled in a large section and by so doing have added considerable territory which will be available for burials.

The expense to the Town on all of these projects is very small in proportion to the amount which will be realized from the sale of lots to be developed.

The burials for the year 1935 are as follows:

Silver Lake Cemetery	68
Highland Cemetery	19
Mt. Pleasant Cemetery	1
Doe Valley Cemetery	2
Chestnut Hill Cemetery	1
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	91

Amount turned over to Charles W. Faulkner, Treasurer:

Interest drawn from Trust Funds	\$1,962.07
Money received from sale of lots	400.00
Money received from opening graves	1,290.00
New perpetual care funds	1,760.00
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	\$5,412.07

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK H. LEE

Chairman

RICHARD W. WATERMAN

Clerk

WILLIAM D. STARRETT

ROBERT L. DEXTER

RALPH O. BROOKS

Cemetery Commission

JAMESON L. HALBERT

Superintendent of Cemeteries

# Report of Public Schools

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## School Directory

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

#### Term Expires in 1936

Frank W. Wilson  
399 Exchange Street

Webb R. Avery  
291 So. Main Street

#### Term Expires in 1937

Rev. E. E. Jackman  
355 School Street

J. Clarence Hill  
143 So. Main Street

#### Term Expires in 1938

Dr. James F. Cuddy  
585 Main Street

Dr. Ray Fessenden  
63 Unity Avenue

### CHAIRMAN

Rev. Everett E. Jackman

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND SECRETARY OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

George S. Goodell

Office, Memorial Bldg.  
Phone 495

Residence, 64 Wallingford Ave.  
Phone 1073-W

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Helen E. Stevens  
1800 Main Street

CLERK (Part Time)

Roberta A. Kittredge  
159 Walnut Street

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. Joseph A. Smith  
521 Main Street

SCHOOL NURSE

Grace E. MacKenzie  
451 Main Street

SCHOOL DENTIST

Dr. Harold E. Smith, Chairman  
415 Main Street

SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

William R. Colton  
32 Oliver Street

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Athol School Committee are held on the first Monday of the month at 7.30 p.m. at the School Committee rooms, Memorial Building.

SCHOOL ENTRANCE REGULATIONS

Children becoming six years of age before or during the month of January may enter the first grade in the September preceding.

Children will not be admitted to school for the first time after October first in any year.



A child entering school for the first time is required to present to the teacher a birth certificate and a vaccination certificate.

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## Report of the School Committee

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To the Town Selectmen and the Citizens of Athol:

As chairman of your school committee we present this, our first annual report, with gratitude to all those who have helped us in our work; to the members of the school committee, to the principals and teachers of our various schools, to the town officials and department heads, and to the citizens of the town of Athol. We have done our work to the best of our ability and we hope our efforts have been helpful to our boys and girls and a credit to our community.

Mr. Leon M. Farrin, after four years of faithful service as our school superintendent, accepted a like position in Woonsocket, R. I., last May. Your committee secured Mr. George S. Goodell of Mansfield, Mass., to take his place. He has worked faithfully at his task and has given every evidence of being a man who has a comprehensive grasp of all phases of school administration. We refer you to his ably prepared report for detailed information concerning the work of our department during the past year.

Through your generosity at the last annual town meeting in providing additional support for the work of the school department we have been able to purchase a substantial amount of new equipment and text books for use in our various classes. Likewise, by the help of W.P. A. funds for the paying of laborers, we have done a large amount of repair work in our buildings. This has included painting and varnishing woodwork, fixing windows and doors, patching plastering and masonry, laying new floors, and installing some new plumbing. We are glad to have done this, but there is much to be done yet.

Your committee is asking you, as voters of our town, to restore one-half of the pay cut of our teachers, which was voted at the annual town meeting three years ago. When we consider the fact that our teachers, together with other town employees, contributed ten per cent of their pay for poor relief during the two years previous to the cut, and as we remember that they have borne an added burden in an increased number of pupils per teacher during that time, it is only fair that they be permitted to share in our returning prosperity. Most of these men and women spend ninety per cent of their salaries in Athol.

Again we call to your attention the over-crowded conditions of our schools. Using attic and basement rooms for holding classes is neither wise nor honorable for our town. Some of them are not healthful, neither do they conform to State Fire Regulations. Not only do we need room to care for our present enrollment of pupils in the courses we are giving, but we need to make provision for new courses, especially in physical and vocational education. This enlarged program should be before us as a goal toward which we will travel.

In the hustle and bustle of business and amidst the whirring of machinery, let us not forget Athol's greatest investment, her boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT E. JACKMAN

Chairman

WEBB R. AVERY

DR. RAY FESSENDEN

DR. JAMES F. CUDDY

J. CLARENCE HILL

FRANK W. WILSON

School Committee.

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee and Citizens of Athol:

I am pleased to present to you my first annual report as your superintendent of schools.

### Organization

The six-three-three plan of organization has been continued this year with good results. It was necessary at the beginning of the Fall Term to transfer the college section of Grade IX from the Riverbend building to the

High School, due to crowded conditions in the Riverbend School. The present school year will be the last one for Grade XIII in the High School, as at the graduation next June the last group of students to graduate under the 13-grade system will receive their diplomas.

### **Enrollment**

The total enrollment in our schools, as of October 1, 1935, was slightly less than the enrollment of last year, being 2180 this year, as compared to 2199 in 1934. Decreases in the elementary schools and the Junior High School account for the slightly smaller total enrollment this year. The High School enrollment, however, was the largest in the history of the school, being 508 this year, as compared to 462 in 1934.

The increased enrollment in the High School made it necessary to add one teacher to the faculty. Mr. Francis Toomey, of Athol, a graduate of Bates College, was chosen, and began work in September. Mr. Toomey teaches Problems of Democracy, Algebra I, English II, and Business Organization, besides serving as assistant coach of football and baseball, and head coach of ice hockey, and track athletics.

### **Attendance**

The attendance for the school year ending June, 1935, was 94.93 per cent average for the 2252 pupils enrolled. This is a high average attendance, and reflects the fact that school instruction is being made interesting for the child; and also that parents are endeavoring to send their children as regularly as possible. Credit is also due to Mr. William R. Colton, our attendance officer, for the thorough, careful way in which he has investigated absences.



## Teachers

A school system is as good as its teachers make it. The pupil-teacher relationship is the fundamental, indispensable one in all education. Good school buildings, adequate school equipment, and enough modern school books for every grade are wonderful assets in carrying on education. But all these are of little use without the presence and inspiring leadership of good teachers. Athol is indeed fortunate in having a group of teachers whose efficiency, and loyalty to their work, has placed education here upon a high level. Our teachers are still working under salary cuts of 10, 12½, and 15%, depending on basic salary. These cuts in salaries have been in effect since February 20, 1933. During 1934 and 1935, many towns and cities all over Massachusetts have restored either a part or all of the cuts in salaries imposed upon their teachers during the depression.

With the present increases in the cost of living, and the general improvement in business and industry now widely evident, and the fact that most other towns have now restored either part or all of their salary cuts, it seems not to be expecting too much for the people of Athol to vote their School Department personnel a restoration of one-half of their salary cuts, effective as of February 17, 1936.

## Per-Pupil Cost of Education

The average per-pupil cost of education throughout the state in towns of 5,000 population or over, for the year ending June 30, 1935, was:

Senior High School	\$111.53
Junior High School	86.34
Elementary Schools (Grades 1-6)	70.84
Average	\$ 89.57



The per-pupil cost of education in the schools of Athol for the year ending June 30, 1935, was:

Senior High School	\$79.27
Junior High School	51.38
Elementary Schools (Grades 1-6)	53.54
Average	\$61.39

In terms of per cent, Athol's expenditures per pupil in all schools was 68.49 per cent of the state's average in towns of 5,000 population or over. Thus it will be seen that Athol is not at all extravagant in its support of schools, but in fact will have to do better than now to come up to the state average.

In its expenditures for school support from local taxation for the fiscal year 1934, per \$1000. valuation, Athol ranked 123rd among all the towns and cities of the state. It ranked 277th in per capita cost for support of public schools from local taxation, for the fiscal year 1934.

### Emergency Educational Program

Classes for adults in public speaking, choral music, dramatics, correct English, and speech and voice culture, were conducted during the winter, spring, and fall terms, in the late afternoons and evenings at Lake Park School, as a part of our Emergency Educational Program, with Federal aid. An important part of this program has been the Nursery Class which was first organized last winter at the Sanders Street School, and which was re-opened on November 8th. Our Nursery Class has been spoken of as excellent by at least one State authority in this work. We have had six local teachers who were otherwise unemployed engaged in this program. There are three teachers employed in the Nursery Classes, and three teachers in the Adult Classes.

Early in the fall, the Works Progress Administration allotted Federal funds in the amount of \$108.00 per month to Athol, for use in the School Aid Program then being developed under the National Youth Administration, one of the social agencies of the Federal government. The amount of aid which a pupil could obtain was limited to \$6.00 each month, the age limits being from 16 to 25 years. This aid was intended to help young people who could qualify for it to return to school, and to enable students who might otherwise be forced to discontinue their education, to remain in school. There have been only two applications for N. Y. A. aid.

### E. R. A. Repairs

The School Department has co-operated wholeheartedly with the Federal government in furnishing work for local labor, on its school repair program. A large part of the repairs and renovating which has been done in our schools during the past year has been accomplished with labor allotted to us from the E. R. A. and the W. P. A. The planning and the carrying on of these repairs has been under the very able direction of Mr. Anton L. Olson. The materials used have of course had to be paid for from School Department funds, but the saving in labor costs to the Town, through the help given us from the E. R. A., has amounted to several thousand dollars. A good example of this is our repair project No. WP 3074. This is a large project involving repairs in ten of our eleven schools. It is estimated that the cost of materials, supplies, equipment, etc., to be furnished by the School Department, will be \$2252.75. One hundred dollars will have to be spent for non-relief labor. But the Federal Government will furnish us with most of the labor, both skilled and unskilled, costing \$5,202., to carry on these repairs. Such a saving to our taxpayers is no small matter. We are now

engaged upon a new program of repairs under the W. P. A., which will run until May 1, 1936. Certain parts of the buildings, particularly floors, roofs, plumbing, painting, etc., are constantly wearing out and have to be repaired or replaced. The usual amount of such renovating work seems to face us during 1936, including extensive repairs to the roof of the Ellen Bigelow School, and new toilets for the Hapgood School. A certain amount of our repairs will have to be made with the use of School Department funds.

### **Professional Improvement**

Three Athol teachers attended summer school this year.

Monthly meetings of the Athol Teachers' Association have been devoted largely to professional improvement of the teachers. A number of out of town speakers, as well as several local speakers have addressed the club.

On November 1st., the schools were closed for one day so that the teachers could attend the annual professional meeting of the Worcester County Teachers' Association. A large number of our teachers attended the convention, and the others visited schools in other places.

Meetings of the teachers' councils have been held at regular intervals during the year, for discussion of methods of teaching, educational objectives, etc. There have been a number of outside speakers at the council meetings.

### **Oath of Allegiance**

Credit is due our teachers for their willing compli-

ance with the new teachers' oath law. The oath was administered to the teachers on October 14, 1935, by Chairman Everett E. Jackman, of the School Committee. The oath was later administered to the six teachers in our W. P. A. classes, and the three teachers in the Adult Alien Education classes.

Another new school law, requiring that every classroom used as a home room be furnished with an American flag, except where regular assemblies are held in an assembly hall, and that the pupils and teachers salute the flag, and recite the "Pledge to the Flag" once a week, is being observed. We are using the pledge and salute which is recommended to schools by the Massachusetts Department of Education.

### **Adult Alien Education**

Three classes in adult alien education were organized in the Fall, with Mr. William R. Colton as director and head teacher, and two assistant teachers. The purpose of the classes is to prepare the adult alien for United States citizenship. The classes meet on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings, at the Main Street School, and will be held for 75 evenings, with the last meeting sometime in April. We are fortunate now in being able to pay our evening school instructors a small amount for their work. The nationalities represented in the classes this year were the Lithuanian, French Canadian, Italian and German. During the past year we have conducted classes in English and Citizenship. Some have taken out their papers and others are preparing to do so.

### **Special Class**

Our special class for children who are mentally re-



tarded three years or more, is for lack of a large enough classroom still divided into two groups, each of which attends in a small room at the Lake Park School the special class for one-half day, and spends the remainder of the day in the regular grades. These retarded children should go to school a full day in a special class. The program of education recommended by the State is based upon a full day in the special class. This program recommends two hours per day of handwork. We are now giving these pupils a limited amount of handwork in their present quarters, and one-half day a week of manual training in the shop at Riverbend St. School.

Twenty-one retarded pupils were tested in the Fall by examiners sent here by the state. The chief psychiatrist came to Athol following the tests and talked over with the teachers, school nurse, and superintendent the children who were examined, and made recommendations concerning them.

We are very much handicapped by lack of enough space to have all the special class pupils taught for a full day in the special class. I hope that eventually better accommodations can be provided for the special class.

### Health

Much attention has been given during the year to inculcating correct habits of health in the pupils. Morning health inspections by the teachers, frequent visits to the schools by the school nurse, physical examinations of the pupils by the school doctor and nurse, and special school clinics against tuberculosis conducted by the state, and county health authorities, the pre-school clinic for beginners which this year examined 69 children, and our school



dental clinics, have each done their share toward building up and maintaining the health of the pupils. Also we have been fortunate in not having any epidemics in the schools this year. While some towns and cities in the eastern section of Massachusetts had to postpone the opening of their schools for several weeks in the Fall, on account of infantile paralysis, Athol escaped this disease entirely.

That the pupils of our schools are giving attention to the care of their teeth, was shown in a report received here in October from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The report showed that in 1933 18 per cent of the enrollment in grades 1-6 received dental certificates; 24 per cent in 1934, and 75 per cent in 1935. A dental certificate means that a child has had a dental examination by a dentist and that if any dental care was needed, it has been completed. In the Health Department report, Athol stands seventh from the top of the list of towns in the state having a school population of between 1000 and 5000 pupils, who received dental certificates this year.

### **Schools Co-Operate with Bicentennial**

The schools co-operated in the carrying on of Athol's Bicentennial Program, September 20, 21, and 22nd. Pupils from the Riverbend Street School took part in a pageant depicting the history of the Town of Athol, held at the Fairgrounds. Two historical lectures, illustrated with early pictures of the town and its inhabitants, were delivered to the pupils of our schools at two different school assemblies held in Memorial Hall auditorium, by Mr. William G. Lord.

### **High School Band**

Work was begun in the Fall toward developing a band

in the High School, with the idea of adding to the enjoyment of many of the extra-curricula activities of the school, and of furnishing to the pupils training in a worth-while leisure time activity. The School Committee wisely decided that the High School would have to earn the money for the instruments for its band, believing that that which is earned through hard work and co-operation is much more highly valued than that which is given without work. Under the leadership of Mr. Henry Wheeler, supervisor of music, a successful minstrel show was presented by High School students, on October 25th in the Memorial Building. From the Minstrel Show a net sum of \$256.44 was realized. The Dartmouth College Glee Club was obtained for a concert on December 6th, and from this concert the band fund netted \$270.31. The appreciation of the High School is extended to all who patronized these entertainments for the band fund. On Nov. 18th a display of band instruments was held, and pupils wishing to buy instruments of their own were given the opportunity to do so. Group instruction on band instruments, open to any pupil in the Athol Junior, and Senior High Schools, was also organized, and 63 students are receiving instruction, after school. This instruction is provided free to the pupils, by Mr. Wheeler, and his assistants. The plan being followed is to use the money from the band fund to first rent the larger and more expensive band instruments for a three months' period, with the privilege of applying the rental fees to the purchase of the instruments, if enough musical talent is discovered in the High School to make this desirable.

### Teachers' Association

The Athol Teachers' Association has been active during the year, under the excellent leadership last year of Mr. Donald Dike as president, and Mr. Claude B. Germany

as president this year. An enjoyable dinner party was held in November at the Unitarian Church parlors, with the members of the School Committee as guests. At the monthly meetings of the Association there have been outside speakers give talks of educational or inspirational nature, and also members of our own group have spoken. The members of the Association receive monthly "The Massachusetts Teacher," a professional journal published by the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation.

### Education Week

During American Education Week, November 11 to 17, 970 parents and others visited our schools, as compared with 855 visitors during Education Week in 1934. A committee of teachers, one from each school, had charge of planning for the local observance of this week. This committee consisted of Mrs. Cora L. Hersey, chairman; Mrs. Stella Fitzgerald, secretary, and Miss Greta Richards, publicity. The committee met twice with the superintendent. The visiting days were planned on the afternoons of Education Week, so those parents having children in more than one school could visit in more than one place. An open house program was held at the High School, one evening. A new feature of Education Week which was carried out this year in several schools was a book display, consisting of very old school books, and alongside these a display of modern school books. The display showed the great improvement which has been made in school books, during the last 30 to 40 years. Parents and others interested in our schools are welcome to visit at any time.

### Vocational Education Survey

The School Committee at its October meeting voted

to have a survey conducted in Athol by the State Department of Education, of the needs for vocational education to be taught here. Mr. R. O. Small, Director of the Division of Vocational Education, met with the Committee, and later in the Fall sent five representatives from his office to carry on the work of the survey. Mr. Edwin K. Ford and Mr. Edward Shea investigated the needs for industrial education; Mr. Rufus W. Stimson and Mr. Walter E. Curtis surveyed the needs for agricultural education; and Miss Caroline H. Wilson, the needs for increased Home Economics instruction.

As was pointed out by the superintendent in his report for 1934, there is in the schools of Athol a considerable group of boys under sixteen years of age who by the compulsory attendance law are required to remain in school, but for whom the regular academic curriculum is unsuited. It was at that time recommended that someone be engaged to teach things of a mechanical nature, in order to meet the needs of these boys. It was with a view toward discovering ways to meet the needs of this group, and also to offer some pre-vocational training, that the vocational education survey was undertaken.

The report of the survey committee recommended the following vocational curricula be added to our High School: General Shop, Agriculture, and that the Home Economics offerings be increased. These courses, if introduced, would certainly take care very nicely of our problem of the non-academic minded pupils, as well as provide valuable vocational training for them. It would also, of course, involve considerable expense for special equipment, salaries of new instructors needed, and either the rental or building of adequate floor space in which to hold the classes including the shop work. It is a question whether now is a suitable time to embark upon such



a program of expansion of our educational offerings. Perhaps a small start could be made in this direction this year. One-half of the amount paid in salaries to vocational instructors would be reimbursed to the town, by the state. In agricultural education, there is no reimbursement upon maintenance expenses nor on original equipment. In industrial, and in home-making education, the state does not reimburse anything spent on original equipment, but does reimburse one-half of the maintenance costs which includes books, paper, foods, and replacements of original equipment.

### Crowded Conditions

Due to lack of space in three of our largest schools. —Ellen Bigelow, Riverbend, and High School, basement space has to be used for some of the regular classes. Ellen Bigelow School has one basement classroom occupied by one section of grade six. Riverbend St. School has two basement classrooms occupied by two sections of grade eight. The High School has two basement classrooms, not including the Domestic Science rooms which are also in the basement. All of these basement classrooms are more or less poorly adapted for teaching and learning purposes on account of poor natural light, and poor ventilation.

In the High School the room on the top floor which is used for a chemistry laboratory is inadequate, poorly arranged, and poorly supplied with natural light. The same room that serves for a laboratory serves also for a chemistry and algebra classroom. There is no laboratory for biology, though biology is taught. The High School needs at least a new chemistry laboratory, a recitation room for chemistry classes, and a combination laboratory-and-recitation room for biology.



While on the subject of additional space needed at the High School, it should be remembered that if courses are to be offered in General Shop, Agriculture, and expanded Home Economics work, there will have to be additional rooms built to house these new subjects and their equipment. A new school building, built upon the Riverbend Street School lot, would probably be the best solution to our crowded conditions. Certainly something will need to be done to provide some space for vocational subjects if these are to be offered. Also, the problem of insufficient classroom space in the Ellen Bigelow, Riverbend Street and High Schools, and for the Special Class, should, if possible, be given attention.

### Employment Certificates

The School Department has had an unusually busy year this year in its work of issuing employment certificates, and educational certificates. State law requires that a certificate be issued to minors before they can be employed. Employment certificates are issued to young people from 14 to 16 years of age, and educational certificates to young people between the ages of 16 and 21 years. The following table gives the number of each kind of certificates we have issued during 1934, and 1935:

	1934	1935
Employment certificates	9	17
Educational certificates	336	406

The opportunities for minors obtaining employment in Athol were much greater in 1935 than they were in 1934.

### Athletics for the Junior High School

Since the re-organization of the Athol Schools on the 6-3-3 basis, the need has been felt more keenly than

ever for some sports and athletics in the Junior High School grades. The need of athletics there, both for the good they would do for the pupils participating in them at the time, and for the help which some training in football and baseball would give to the boys when they later take part in the Senior High School, has been recognized for some time. The writer hopes that in 1936 a man teacher-coach may be employed for the Jr. High School. I would also recommend that at some time in the future when economic conditions are favorable, a Supervisor of Physical Education be obtained to expand our present limited program of physical education in all schools.

### **Books**

The difficult situation which our schools have been in for several years now concerning sufficient books for the pupils is being gradually improved. New sets of up-to-date books have been supplied in those schools and grades where the need for them is greatest. The lack of good books in reading, both basal and supplementary, has now been fairly well taken care of. I have also supplied a considerable number of reading books for classroom libraries. Our greatest need is for more sets of spellers, language books, and geographies; also dictionaries suited to the use of grades from four to nine.

### **New Requirements**

Certain changes will be necessary in the mathematics curriculums of the High School and the Junior High School, to meet the requirements of the College Entrance Board. From what we have found out so far, more advanced mathematics will be required in all grades of both the Junior and Senior High Schools, beginning with algebra in the seventh grade, and ending with trigonometry,

solid geometry, college algebra, elementary calculus and analytic geometry in the senior year. As the new requirements are to be applied to those qualifying for admission to college in September, 1938, some changes will likely be advisable in our own mathematics curriculums, next fall. ,

### Conclusions

In closing this report, I would like to express my thanks and appreciation, and that of the entire personnel of our schools, for the guidance and leadership given by the School Committee in the maintenance and betterment of education in Athol. I am also keenly appreciative of the loyalty, goodwill, and kindness of the teachers, principals and supervisors. Their support has been a source of much inspiration to me to strive for an even better department.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. GOODELL,  
Superintendent of Schools

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of Principal of High School

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Mr. George S. Goodell  
Superintendent of Schools  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Goodell:

The enrollment of the Senior High School for the

year 1934-1935 is as follows:

Grade	IX	X	XI	XII	XIII	P.G.	Total
Oct. 1, 1934		153	118	119	53	19	462
Oct. 1, 1935	43	160	127	129	25	24	508
Dec. 20, 1935	43	158	122	125	25	20	493

The increase is due to the division of the ninth grade that has been brought over to the Senior High School.

The ratio of pupils to teachers on the enrollment is 31.75. This is 1.75 more than is allowed by The State Board in classifying a school as a Class A High School. The large classes that result from this large number has worked greatly to the disadvantage of the school. The building is so overcrowded that while another teacher could be used it would not be to the best advantage.

The lunch counter balance at the first of September was \$397.64. It now stands at \$334.39 with a few unpaid bills. We try to keep this balance as near \$400 as possible so that the food can be sold to the pupils at cost. There is very little overhead expense.

On account of the crowded condition of the building, the coat rooms are very inadequate and it is impossible to prevent petty thieving and loss by carelessness. We have had several instances where articles of clothing have been taken by pupils or by outsiders. We hope that as soon as money is available lockers will be installed so that each pupil may have protection for his own property and for the school property with which he is entrusted.

Restricting the number of teachers has been particularly hard on those taking commercial work. It is desirable that as soon as possible an opportunity be given for pupils taking secretarial work to have a full year of



bookkeeping, and that courses in art be introduced. Mechanical drawing should be restored. This is important in a town that is so much given to machine work as Athol is.

Respectfully submitted,

N. A. CUTLER,  
Principal.

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of Junior High Principal

Mr. George S. Goodell  
Superintendent of Schools  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Goodell:

There has been only one change in the personnel of the teaching staff of the Junior High School during the past year. About the middle of the Fall term Mrs. Doris Fields resigned her position as teacher in the seventh grade, after completing a little more than three years of successful service in the Ellen Bigelow School. The vacancy has been filled, to date, by Mrs. Marie M. Mason who will continue to serve as a substitute teacher until one of the many candidates for the position is elected by the School Committee.



At the beginning of the school year in September the program of studies was arranged to meet the requirements of a one-session day. After only a few days' trial the School Committee, for financial reasons, decided to return to the two-session day. Let us hope that the School Committee may find the means with which to re-establish the school day of one session in the near future, since this plan is favored by such a large majority of both pupils and parents.

During the present term Mrs. Mabel Sault of High street presented the school with a generous number of valuable books. The collection includes, a complete set of The Winston Encyclopedia, The Book of Knowledge, Ridpath's History of the World, The Writings of John Burrows, The Little Leather Library, and other books of poetry, fiction, and history. We hope that by adding a few new books to this number each year that it will, in time, grow into a much-needed Junior High School library.

About forty-two pupils who chose the college course, when entering grade nine, were transferred to the Senior High School in September. This change was made necessary by the large number of pupils in grade eight, who now occupy six rooms in the Riverbend Street Building. I hope this arrangement may continue until such time as it will no longer be necessary to use the basement rooms of the Riverbend and Ellen Bigelow Buildings for class room purposes.

I wish once more to express my appreciation of the continued co-operation of the teachers and the loyal sup-

port of the School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED D. TAYLOR,  
Principal.

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of Music Supervisor

Mr. George S. Goodell  
Superintendent of Schools  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Goodell:

### Music Education

The great American enterprise of music education is about to round out its first hundred years of official recognition in the Schools. It was fortunate that the "experiment" as it was then called, had for its first exponent the most widely known and respected musician and music teacher in America, Lowell Mason. The Boston school board was the first to vote that all children should be taught music at public expense.

The singing school method gave way after the Civil War to public school methodology, in 1870 the National Music Course, followed by a long succession of varying

opinions as to how music should be taught. Sight reading gave way to the song method. About 1900 was the beginning of modern High School music, and instrumental classes were introduced about 1910. Then came the entrance of the phonograph into the school, and since the World War, the astounding development of instrumental and vocal music with which we are all familiar.

### **School Exhibit**

On May 3rd there was a school exhibition in Memorial Building. Both Memorial Hall and Liberty Hall were crowded afternoon and evening. In the afternoon there were 28 rooms with about 1000 pupils, from the elementary and Junior High Schools, that went on the stage in Memorial Hall to sing. In the evening there were 17 rooms with about 650 pupils who sang, besides the Junior Glee Club, and the combined orchestras from the Junior and Senior High Schools. Liberty Hall was given over to an exhibit of the hand work of children from all the departments of the school system. It should be considered that such a program calls for much patience and intensive drilling on the part of the grade teachers who deserve much credit for playing the silent parts which must be played in order that an exhibition succeed.

### **School Band**

The School Committee expressed its desire, at its July meeting, that I organize a High School band. The first thing this means is money to buy the bass instruments to get the proper balance. For this reason a Minstrel Show was staged October 25th. The Dartmouth College Glee Club gave a concert December 6th. From these two entertainments \$526.75 has been raised which is about one half of what is needed. Instrumental classes

have been organized and free lessons are given at the Riverbend School each afternoon at the close of the regular session. There are 65 in these classes.

As usual the teachers are very co-operative. And I wish to express my appreciation of the support I have received from you and the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY R. WHEELER,  
Supervisor of Music

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of Penmanship Supervisor

Mr. George S. Goodell  
Superintendent of Schools  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Goodell:

In recent years there have been marked changes in education. One of the most noticeable is from isolated subjects to integrated learning. The project method, units of work, and the activity program illustrate the trend away from isolated subjects.

It is impossible to get results simply through using handwriting in activities demanding writing, but it is possible to eliminate much of the formal practice.



It is still thought best to set up goals or standards for each grade and to check accomplishments. This has been done twice a year with most satisfactory results.

Writing has been taught in as simple a way as possible, and has been integrated with other subjects.

The aim in handwriting instruction has been to equip students so that their needs in written work can be met satisfactorily. The amount of writing necessary for school purposes is considerably greater than the amount demanded in ordinary occupations out of school. If, therefore, the goal for good writing is reached in school, students will be adequately equipped for practically all occupations.

Another objective has been to make the writing more purposeful by bringing about situations where pupils feel the need for the work they undertake. This has increased interest and accelerated learning.

In a recent dictation lesson given to the eighth grade of the Junior High School, two hundred pupils out of a total of two hundred and fifteen, or 93 percent of the class, received a rating of "A" or "B."

"Clearness, ease and force remain the cardinal virtues of all writing, and of these clearness stands first in importance. Handwriting will never be a lost art no matter how greatly mechanical means of communication develop. The typewriter will never come into use so general that penmanship can be neglected in the schools."

I wish to congratulate the Town of Athol on its staff of teachers. It would be hard to find a more conscientious or efficient group.



I wish to thank you for the interest you have shown in the penmanship work, and for the many helpful suggestions you have already made.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH N. FOYE,  
Supervisor of Penmanship.

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of Attendance Supervisor

Mr. George S. Goodell  
Superintendent of Schools  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Goodell:

I respectfully submit the following statistics as covering the work of the Supervisor of Attendance during the year 1935.

### Cases

Cases investigated	1378
Visits connected with these cases	1094

### Reasons for Absence

Truancy	197
Lack of shoes and clothing	109

Parents' neglect	264
Working in home	187
Illness of Parents	180
Contagious illness	962
Severe illness with medical attention	67
Severe illness without medical attention	10
Slight illness	1402

### School and Labor Laws

Employment certificates	10
Taken from street to school	30
Taken from street to home	27
Taken from home to school	19
Court cases	2

### Co-operation with Teachers and Others

Misbehavior and tardiness cases	1867
Matters between teachers and parents	426
Individual talks with pupils	2302
Parents' complaints	256
Talks to schools	79
Complaints from other sources	1026
Police department	227
Other school departments	4
Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children	10
Transportation	12
First District Court	17
Boston & Maine Railroad	7
Athol Fire Department	1

During the Thanksgiving and Christmas season several schools supplied dinners to needy families which were sorely needed and greatly appreciated. I consider this a fine thing for the children to do and wish to thank

them and their teachers who gave so unsparingly of their time and effort.

Last year I suggested the need of more manual training and domestic science for pupils who are obliged to remain in school until they are sixteen years of age. I understand the State has made a survey in Athol and hope something will be done about it in the near future as conditions have not improved in the least.

I am sorry to have to report that there are many thefts in and outside the department and in many cases I consider the parents to blame for them as they do not investigate to see where their children get the different articles they bring home or have in their possession.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. COLTON

Supervisor of Attendance.

December 31, 1935.

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## Report of School Physician and Nurse

Mr. George S. Goodell  
Superintendent of Schools  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Goodell:

We respectfully submit to you the annual report of

the School Physician and the School Nurse, for the year ending December 31, 1935.

The general health of the school children has been very good, and with the exception of a number of cases at the present time of Measles there has been no general illness. One of the causes of the number of cases of Measles is that the larger number of the children who contract the disease are allowed by the parents to attend school just as long as they are able to so, and when kept at home are cared for there without the advice of any physician, and then the cases are not reported to the local Board of Health, so that no check-up on the cases is possible. Of course parents are not obliged by law to call a physician, but when they do not and they have a case of a Contagious Disease in the house, they are obliged to report the same to the Board of Health who in turn notify the School Department, and I wish to add that our local Board of Health are very fine in that matter as well as all other matters pertaining to the health of our school children. Only by prompt knowledge of the appearance of these cases can they be traced early and proper steps taken to check the same.

In regard to vaccination against Small Pox, I would draw your attention to the fact that there were only eighteen excuses given to pupils not to be vaccinated, by reason of physical disability in our school population of over two thousand. Years ago there were some years over four hundred excuses given.

Fortunately for the children and the town there have been no cases of Diphtheria during the past year, mainly due to our Inoculation Clinics conducted by the State Board of Health, Local Board of Health and School Department.

All pupils of the grades as requested by the School Board have been examined and reports of findings sent to parents.

There is need of many more tonsil and adenoid operations and as soon as money can be found for same they will be attended to. The School Department has never furnished money for any of these cases so it has fallen on the School Nurse and Physician to find money for the same, for the worthy and destitute cases. The Red Cross has been of wonderful help to us in this matter as well as other cases. We endeavor to see that no cases which we see are financed outside are cases where the parents are not destitute.

The sanitary condition of our school buildings are constantly being improved by the School Department, and whereas there will always be something to do, you need not be ashamed to have any one inspect any of our buildings at any time.

#### **Report for Year Ending December 31, 1935**

Visits to schools during year	910
Visits to homes during the year	384
Visits to doctor's office during year	142
Children inspected for Pediculi	1367
Children sent home for Pediculi	41
Children sent home for skin	39

#### **Clinic for Retarded Children, 1935**

Dr. Barnes (East Gardner State Colony.) First Term

Children examined (first time)	13
Children examined (second time)	2

#### **CLINIC—Second Term**

Children examined (First time)	20
Children re-examined (second time)	2



**Clinic Skin Test for T. B., May, 1935**

Children tested Seventh, Ninth and Eleventh grades	574
Children reacting to test	115
Children X-rayed	114
Children for chest examination	18
Children sent to summer camp	2

**Skin Test, Nov., 1935**

Children tested	66
Children X-rayed	66
Children discharged from clinic	7
Children sent to Westfield State Sanatorium	1
Children to be examined next year	58

**Physical Examination by School Physician**

Children examined	713
Tonsils and adenoids 114; Heart 1; Foot and Hip 1; recommended for Cod Liver Oil 6; Skin 4; Eyes 117; Back 1; recommended for milk 126; Ears 37; facial nervousness 1; total defects 272.	

**Contagion During the Year**

Chicken Pox	2
Diphtheria	0
Mumps	1
Ivy Poison	3
Pink Eye	7
Measles (reported)	17
(not reported)	80
Scarlet Fever	2
Whooping Cough	0
Skin	43
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary and Hilum)	15
Cases Gone to State Sanatorium	9

JOSEPH A. SMITH, M. D.

School Physician

GRACE MACKENZIE

School Nurse

## BUS DRIVERS

Aubrey K. Turner	Chestnut Hill Route
416 Exchange Street	and South Main Street Route
George H. Dodge	Pleasant Street Route
9 Common Street	
Oscar Thompson	Fryville Route
Pinedale Avenue	
Albert M. Haskins	South Athol Route
R. F. D. No. 1	
Arthur E. Mann	Phillipston Route
Doe Valley Road	

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JANITORS

Swen A. Nelson	High School
214 Allen Street	
James MacDonald	Riverbend Street School
65 Wheeler Street	
Fred C. Divoll	Ellen Bigelow School
237 Cottage Street	
Foster Burnham	Lake Park School
426 Wallingford Avenue	
Fred Piette	Hapgood, Saunders Schools
7 Oliver Street	
John M. Adams	Main Street School
107 Walnut Street	
Andrew J. Lawton	Highland School
1422 Main Street	
Albert Brouillet	Silver Lake School
202 Silver Lake Street	
John F. Munro	Lyman Ward School
38 Euclid Street	

## SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1936

Winter Term	No. of Weeks
Begins Monday, December 30, 1935	
Ends Friday, February 21, 1936	8
Spring Term	
Begins Monday, March 2, 1936	
Ends Friday, April 24, 1936	8
Final Term	
Begins Monday, May 4, 1936	
Ends Friday, June 12, 1936	6
Fall Term	
Begins Wednesday, September 9, 1936	
Ends Friday, December 24, 1936	16
Winter Term	
Begins Monday, January 4, 1937	
Total Number of Weeks	38

## Holidays

New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday, Good Friday, Patriots' Day, Memorial Day, Columbus Day, Armistice Day, Thanksgiving Day and the day following, and Christmas Day.

## No School Signals

- 4 blasts repeated at 7.30, no morning session.
- 4 blasts at 8.15, no morning session for primary.
- 4 blasts at 12.30, no afternoon session.

# EDUCATIONAL STAFF STATISTICS

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TEACHERS	GRADES OR SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED	YEARS' EXPERIENCE
<b>Administration</b>			
George S. Goodell	Superintendent	New York University	15
<b>Athol High School</b>			
Nathaniel A. Cutler	Principal	Amherst College	43
William A. Spooner	Science	Bridgewater S. T. C.	25
Donald Dike	Mathematics	Brown University	18½
Thomas J. O'Brien	Biol., Prob. of Dem.	Boston College	6
L. Evelyn Ramsey	Shorthand, Bkkg.	Simmons College	24
Helen C. Ellsworth	Latin	Smith College	24
Janetta C. MacGregor	French	Wellesley College	17
Ruth M. Streeter	Typewriting, Shtd.	Simmons College	17
Helen R. Towers	English	Radcliffe College	23
Marion C. Armstrong	History	Framingham S. T. C.	17
Elizabeth B. Amsden	English	Syracuse University	19
Isabelle M. Alden	Domestic Science	Framingham S. T. C.	12
Richard B. Ellis	English	Exeter Academy, M. I. T.	3
Florence Flewelling	French, Geography	Wellesley College	27
Gertrude Hale	Bkkg., Typewriting	Cushing Academy	25
Evelyn H. Merrifield	Bus. Organization, Fr. History	Tufts College	10
Francis Toomey	Bus. Organization, Eng. Algebra, Prob. of Dem.	Bates College	0
<b>Riverbend St. School</b>			
Alfred D. Taylor	Principal	Hyannis S. T. C.	30
Claude B. Germany	Alg. Sc. VIII, IX	Harvard University	12
Cora L. Hersey	Civics, Music, VIII, IX	Murdoch Academy	32
Fannie Severance	Bus. Train., VIII, IX	North Adams S. T. C.	14
E. Jane Miller	Fr., Sci. Eng., Latin, IX	Janiata College	4½
Frances M. Tugus	Eng., Lit., VIII	Boston University	8
Dorothy Hathaway	History, VIII	North Adams S. T. C.	17
Teresa Fitzgibbon	Mathematics, VIII	Fitchburg S. T. C.	5
Mary L. Hodgess	English, VIII	Boston University	13
Alta M. Lee	Geo., Draw., VIII	North Adams S. T. C.	16
Walter J. Fields	Lit., Geo., VIII	Bos. Col., Fitch. S. T. C.	



TEACHERS	GRADES OR SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED		YEARS' EXPERIENCE
Ellen M. Bigelow School				
Josephine Reid	Hist., Music, Draw., VII	Keene Normal	7	
Rena Safford	Arithmetic, English, VII	Farmington Normal	10	
Emory Hastings	Arithmetic VII	Mass. State College	4	
Blanche A. Petrosky	Geography VII	Keene Normal	4	
Doris E. Fields	Geography, Lit., VII	Bridgewater S. T. C.	3	
Estella M. Sheon	VI	Fitchburg S. T. C.	27	
Margaret DeRoche	V, VI	Fitchburg S. T. C.	7	
Bessie Garbose	III, IV	Fitchburg S. T. C.	3	
Gertrude E. Glennon	I, II	North Adams S. T. C.	3	
		Fitchburg S. T. C.	11	
Lake Park School				
Alice G. Pollard	Principal, VI	Fitchburg S. T. C.	8	
Susie C. Ray	VI	Fitchburg Business	19	
Helen C. Flavin	V, VI	Fitchburg S. T. C.	5	
Madeleine Ryan	VI	Worcester S. T. C.	0	
Marion E. Swan	III, IV	Hyannis S. T. C.	18	
Catherine J. Fitzgibbon	I, II	Fitchburg S. T. C.	7	
Main Street School				
Isabel S. Duffy	Principal, IV	Fitchburg S. T. C.	35	
Edith L. Smith	III	Fitchburg S. T. C.	19	
Myrle L. Van Rennselaer	II	Westfield S. T. C.	16	
Leola L. Forsaith	I	Hyannis S. T. C.	15	
Highland School				
Eva C. Bonnette	Principal, VI	Keene Normal	12	
Flora M. Cotton	V	Worcester S. T. C.	13	
Mildred J. Hayden	III, IV	Fitchburg S. T. C.	17	
M. A. Louise Ward	I, II	Fitchburg S. T. C.	24	



TEACHERS	GRADES OR SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED	YEARS' EXPERIENCE
<b>Sanders Street School</b>			
Pauline M. Hathaway	Principal, III, IV	North Adams S. T. C.	18½
Dorothy M. Baker	V	North Adams S. T. C.	8
Greta D. Richards	II, III	Keene Normal	1
Jessie Newton	I, II	Fitchburg S. T. C.	22
<b>Silver Lake School</b>			
Elizabeth McManamy	Principal, V, VI	Worcester S. T. C.	13
Queenie Green	IV, V	Bridgewater S. T. C.	3
Stella M. Fitzgerald	II, III	Fitchburg S. T. C.	11
Clare E. Quinn	I, II	Worcester S. T. C.	5
<b>Hapgood School</b>			
Florence A. Tower	Principal, I, II	Fitchburg S. T. C.	30
Bertha M. Parmenter	III, IV	Fitchburg Normal	32
<b>Lyman Ward School</b>			
Grace K. Hayden	Principal, III, IV	Fitchburg S. T. C.	11
Helen Butterworth	I, II	Keene Normal	5
<b>South Athol School</b>			
Ruth H. Barker	I-VI	New Haven Normal	16½
<b>Special Teacher</b>			
Minnie J. Stockwell	Special Class	Springfield Training	37
<b>Music Supervisor</b>			
Henry R. Wheeler		Boston University	31
<b>Penmanship Supervisor</b>			
Edith Foye		Supervisor's Course	21

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## Expenditures for 1935

	High	Jr. High	Elementary	Total
Teachers				\$69,650.20
Principals	\$23,789.10	\$17,979.20	\$27,881.90	14,026.00
Supervisors	2,800.00	2,125.00	9,101.00	1,605.45
Administrative Expenses				7,224.86
Books	769.17	799.12	1,081.92	2,650.21
Supplies	1,897.11	800.85	1,525.12	4,223.08
Janitors	1,908.94	1010.55	5,557.10	8,476.59
Fuel	1,557.05	737.40	3,861.22	6,155.67
Operating Miscellaneous	623.65	647.04	1,615.68	2,886.37
Repairs	1,836.62	1052.57	2,459.77	5,348.96
Health	4.26	465.66	992.74	1,462.66
Transportation	1,033.91	2680.65	3,357.01	7,071.57
Tuition	235.38		812.06	1,047.44
Auxiliary Miscellaneous	1,549.78	50.99	70.16	1,670.93
Manual Training		65.39		65.39
New Equipment				636.97
Outlay				275.65
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	\$38,004.97	\$28,414.42	\$58,315.68	\$134,478.00

### School Credits

General School Fund	\$18,827.50
Tuition	1,279.58
Tuition State Wards	1,027.90
Tuition Training School	153.78
Sale of Books	2.65
Sale of Supplies	5.76
Telephone	3.27
Manual Training	.53
Miscellaneous	5.96
Rent of High School Hall	5.00
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	\$21,311.93

Net Cost of Schools	\$113,166.07
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SHOWING NUMBER ENROLLED, ATTENDANCE, ETC.,  
OF PUPILS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR  
THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1935 \*

School	Grade	Number Enrolled	Average Members- hip	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Senior High School	X-XI-XII-XIII-XIV	471	458.26	445.95	97.31
Junior High School	IX	37	34.11	32.25	94.57
Junior High School	IX	41	38.79	37.11	95.98
Junior High School	IX-VIII	40	39.65	37.66	94.99
Junior High School	IX-VIII	42	38.93	37.04	95.03
Junior High School	IX-VIII	41	37.38	35.29	94.05
Junior High School	VIII	41	39.74	38.72	97.48
Junior High School	VIII	40	37.91	38.93	95.11
Junior High School	VIII	40	35.25	33.12	90.38
Junior High School	VIII	42	40.31	38.96	96.69
Junior High School	VII	36	35.93	34.78	96.64
Junior High School	VII	39	38.67	37.08	95.82
Junior High School	VII	38	37.10	33.89	92.33
Junior High School	VII	39	38.36	36.25	94.63
Junior High School	VII	38	37.57	36.16	95.81
Junior High School	VI	40	38.84	37.46	96.49

School	Grade	Number Enrolled	Average Member- ship	Average Attend- ance	Percent of Attend- ance
Lake Park School No. 7	Special Class	13	13.41	11.61	86.32
Lake Park School No. 6	VI	39	40.04	37.51	93.69
Lake Park School No. 5	VI	39	40.56	38.75	95.39
Lake Park School No. 4	V-VI	38	35.91	34.84	93.32
Lake Park School No. 3	VI	38	33.36	33.35	91.45
Lake Park School No. 2	III-IV	41	38.59	36.38	94.27
Lake Park School No. 1	I-II	43	41.41	38.59	93.18
Riverbend St. School	VI	36	34.20	33.09	96.42
Ellen Bigelow School No. 3	V-VI	39	40.55	38.72	95.20
Ellen Bigelow School No. 2	III-IV	45	40.76	38.68	94.89
Ellen Bigelow School No. 1	I-II	40	38.95	36.49	93.67
Main St. School No. 4	IV	38	39.61	38.35	96.82
Main St. School No. 3	III	37	39.62	37.69	95.16
Main St. School No. 2	II	42	41.86	39.81	95.00
Main St. School No. 1	I	42	37.56	35.26	94.05
Highland School No. 4	VI	42	39.29	37.78	96.15
Highland School No. 3	V	34	32.25	30.92	95.88
Highland School No. 2	III-IV	33	34.22	32.20	94.12
Highland School No. 1	I-II	44	41.39	40.18	94.75



School	Grade	Number Enrolled	Average Member- ship	Average Attend- ance	Percent of Attend- ance
Hapgood School No. 2	III-IV	30	30.00	28.65	98.10
Hapgood School No. 1	I-II	38	36.33	34.80	95.23
Silver Lake School No. 4	V-VI	45	40.35	38.80	96.13
Silver Lake School No. 3	IV-V	41	37.03	35.73	96.43
Silver Lake School No. 2	II-III	38	36.99	35.74	96.76
Silver Lake School No. 1	I-II	41	41.69	39.43	94.52
Sanders St. School No. 4	V	39	36.90	35.14	95.09
Sanders St. School No. 3	III-IV	35	36.41	34.97	96.04
Sanders St. School No. 2	II-III	36	37.32	35.59	95.83
Sanders St. School No. 1	I-II	38	36.68	34.51	93.68
Lyman Ward School No. 2	III-IV	33	35.48	33.88	95.55
Lyman Ward School No. 1	I-II	33	30.64	29.83	97.35
South Athol School No. 1	I-VI	17	16.22	15.09	93.06
TOTAL		2252	2182.38	2093.01	94.93

\* The number of pupils enrolled in any school is the number enrolled in that room who have not been enrolled elsewhere in town during the school year.

## Report of the Tax Collector

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This is the 25th annual report of the present Collector of Taxes.

It is still difficult to collect taxes these times, but many people are doing the best they can by making small payments. In behalf of the town, we appreciate what the Athol Savings Bank and the Athol Co-Operative Bank did in advancing money to property owners to pay their taxes. It shows their desire to co-operate.

The change made by the new law of assessing January 1st and having early payments in July was a success. There was more detail and change in forms to fit the new bookkeeping system, but it helped the town to get taxes in early and avoid unnecessary borrowing. This was the intent of the law.

By having the uncollected taxes previous to 1935 reduced to the present figure, the town saved nearly \$2.00 on its tax rate in 1935.

These figures are given for comparison for the past four years:

Collections in 1932	\$373,895.09
Collections in 1933	346,336.48
Collections in 1934	383,948.83
Collections in 1935	414,133.39

These figures do not include tax titles taken.

Of the 1935 levy, 79% has been collected. The 1934 levy, 95% collected, and the 1933 levy, all collected.

The per cent of collections for 1935 was higher than in 1934, even allowing for the increase in the 1935 tax rate.

The new law went into effect August 13, 1935 about demands on Poll Taxes. These charges now go to the Town.

The 1935 registrations on autos for the Auto Excise reached a figure of 3009 separate cars and trucks, for a tax of \$14,439.78.

The tax titles taken by the town now amount to \$6310.45. The tax titles redeemed during the year to the Town Treasurer amounted to \$7416.45.

The tax rate for 1935 was \$34.60. Collector's Bond was \$41,200.

Report in detail follows:

The warrants for 1935 collections were made up as follows:

Town Tax (less income)	\$317,623.39
State Tax	17,005.00
County Tax	19,580.58
Tuberculosis Hospital	12,415.50
State Parks and Reservation	125.00
Land Damage Suit	1,000.00
Old Age Abatement 1932	142.00
Veterans Exemption	17.00
Overlay	9,395.64

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\$377,304.11

Added Polls 122.00

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\$377,426.11

## Cash Collected and Paid Treasurer

Payments	\$297,119.67
Abatements	4,282.07
Tax Titles	2,977.52
Uncollected Balances	73,046.85

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 \$377,426.11

## Auto Excise 1935

Total for Collection	\$14,439.78
Cash Paid Treasurer	\$12,305.15
Abatements	308.86
Uncollected Balance	1,825.77

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 \$14,439.78

## Sewer Rentals 1935

Total for Collection	\$7,331.75
Cash Paid Treasurer	\$5,524.58
Abatements	62.50
Tax Titles	97.50
Uncollected	1,647.17

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 \$7,331.75

## Recapitulation 1935

## Total for Collection:

Taxes	\$377,426.11
Auto Excise	14,439.78
Sewer	7,331.75

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 \$399,197.64

## Cash Paid Treasurer:

Taxes	\$297,119.67
Auto Excise	12,305.15
Sewer	5,524.58

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 \$314,949.40

## Abatements:

Taxes	\$ 4,282.07
Auto Excise	308.86
Sewer	62.50

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\$ 4,653.43

## Tax Titles:

Taxes	\$ 2,977.52
Sewer	97.50

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\$ 3,075.02

## Uncollected:

Taxes	\$ 73,046.85
Auto Excise	1,825.77
Sewer	1,647.17

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\$ 76,519.79

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\$399,197.64

## Interest Collected on 1935 Levy to Jan. 1, 1936:

Taxes	\$68.29
Auto Excise	40.36
Sewer	1.02

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\$109.67

Demands on 1935 Polls 55.30

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\$164.97

## Grand Total Paid Treasurer on 1935 Levy:

Taxes	\$314,949.40
Interest	109.67
Demands on Polls	55.30

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\$315,114.37



**1934 Levy**

Total for Collection Jan. 1, 1935	\$88,116.52
Added Polls	6.00
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	\$88,122.52

Cash Paid Treasurer	\$63,950.46	
Tax Titles	2,940.48	
Abatements	2,477.09	
Uncollected	18,754.49	
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		\$88,122.52

**1934 Auto Excise Balance**

Total for Collection Jan. 1, 1935		\$ 1,368.88
Paid Treasurer	\$636.58	
Uncollected	732.30	
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		\$ 1,368.88

**1934 Sewer Rental Balance**

Total for Collection Jan. 1, 1935		\$ 2,088.50
Paid Treasurer	\$ 1,570.00	
Abated	5.00	
Tax Titles	90.00	
Uncollected	423.50	
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		\$ 2,088.50

**Recapitulation 1934 Balance**

Balance for Collection Jan. 1, 1935:		
Taxes	\$88,116.52	
Added Polls	6.00	
Auto Excise	1,368.88	
Sewer	2,088.50	
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		\$91,579.90

## Cash Paid Treasurer:

Taxes	\$63,950.46
Auto Excise	636.58
Sewers	1,570.00

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\$66,157.04

## Tax Titles

Taxes	\$2,940.48
Sewers	90.00

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\$ 3,030.48

## Abatelements:

Taxes	\$ 2,477.09
Sewer	5.00

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\$ 2,482.09

## Uncollected:

Taxes	\$18,754.49
Auto Excise	732.30
Sewers	423.50

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\$19,910.29

\$91,579.90

## Interest Collected on 1934 Levy to Jan. 1, 1936

Taxes	\$2,232.89
Auto Excise	13.00
Sewer	41.04

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\$2,286.93

Demand on 1934 Polls 2.10

\$2,289.03

**Grand Total Paid Treasurer on 1934 Levy**

Taxes	\$66,157.04
Interest	2,286.93
Demands	2.10

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 \$68,446.07
**1933 Tax Balance**

Total for Collection	\$29,238.66
Cash Paid Treasurer	\$27,259.50
Abatements	1,672.16
Tax Titles	307.00

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 \$29,238.66
**1933 Auto Excise Balance**

Balance for Collection	\$ 1,022.79
Cash Paid Treasurer	\$ 99.91
Abatements	922.88

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 \$ 1,022.79
**1933 Sewer Rental Balance**

Balance for Collection	\$ 555.50
Cash Paid Treasurer	\$ 520.00
Abatements	28.00
Tax Titles	7.50

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 \$ 555.50
**Recapitulation 1933 Balance**

Taxes for Collection Jan. 1, 1935	\$29,238.66
Auto Excise	1,022.79
Sewers	555.50

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 \$30,816.95

**Cash Paid Treasurer**

Taxes	\$27,259.50
Auto Excise	99.91
Sewers	520.00

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\$27,879.41

**Tax Titles:**

Taxes	\$ 307.00
Sewers	7.50

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\$ 314.50

**Abatements:**

Taxes	\$ 1,672.16
Auto Excise	922.88
Sewer	28.00

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\$ 2,623.04

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\$30,816.95

**Interest Account****Interest Collected in 1935 on 1933 Levy**

Taxes	\$2,655.61
Auto Excise	4.46
Sewers	43.47

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\$2,703.54

**Interest Collected in 1935 on  
1934 Levy**

2,286.93

**Interest Collected in 1935 on  
1935 Levy**

109.67

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\$5,100.14

**Grand Total Demands**

\$60.90

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\$5,161.04

All taxes up to the 1934 Levy have been collected, paid to Treasurer, and books closed.

JOHN F. HAYDEN, Collector

Athol, Jan. 6, 1936

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## Report of Inspector of Animals

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Number of Stables Inspected	122
Number of Cattle Inspected	891
Number of Swine Inspected	191
Number of Sheep Inspected	23
Number of Cattle Shipped Interstate	143

By Order of Dept. of Agriculture, Division of Livestock  
Disease Control

Respectfully Submitted,

J. H. MEANY, V.S.



# Report of the Park Commissioners

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Your Park Commissioners started the year with an appropriation of \$3,000.00 and \$1,000.00 for Veterans' Hire. The usual attention was given to the upkeep of the several parks.

Your Commissioners received from the E.R.A. and W.P.A. \$18,247.19 for labor. The town appropriated \$3,580.00, and from this there was expended \$1,480.00 for the Field House.

The Ellinwood Country Club received from the E.R.A. an appropriation of \$6,150.00. The income from the Green Fees was \$525.00.

From the Fish Betterment Fund there was expended \$111.00 for new settees.

The total expense in carrying on this department is so varied that we do not think it wise to take up the space in this report, as the full account is kept by your Town Accountant. Your Park Commissioners feel now that this department has so much more property to look after that they will need a much larger appropriation.

ROBERT T. LINCOLN

Chairman

WILLIAM H. KILLAY

WILLIAM A. SPOONER

Park Commissioners.

## Report of Sewer Commissioners

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Amount of Rentals		\$7,331.75
Cost of Maintenance	\$1,402.49	
Interest on Bonds	1,903.00	
Bonds paid	4,000.00	

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\$7,305.49

Extension of Sewer from Spring Street to Fairgrounds a distance of about 4,200 feet was started Nov. 16, 1934, and completed in May, 1935. This sewer was built as an E. R. A. project.

Cost to the Town	\$2,689.99
Cost to the E. R. A.	8,105.75

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\$10,795.74

The Town now has a Sewer System of 25 miles in length.

EMMETT L. WORRICK  
 EVERETT SAWYER  
 FRANK P. HALL  
 Sewer Commissioners

## Town Accountant's Report

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Athol, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Nineteenth Annual Report of this department, covering the financial transactions of the Town of Athol for the year ending December 31, 1935 is herewith submitted.

### Receipts and Payments

January 1 to December 31, 1935

#### Receipts

##### General Revenue

##### Taxes

##### Current Year

Poll	\$ 6,154.00
Personal	57,430.58
Real Estate	233,535.09
Auto Excise	12,305.15

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**\$309,424.82**

## Previous Years

Poll	\$	252.00	
Personal		4,232.31	
Real Estate		86,676.65	
Auto Excise		736.49	
Old Age Assistance		49.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 91,946.45

Tax Titles		7,416.45	
		<hr/>	\$ 7,416.45

## From State

Corporation	\$	24,576.64	
Income		34,544.69	
Race Track		626.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 59,747.83

## Grants and Gifts

From County			
Chapter 90—			
Highway	\$	2,157.31	
From State			
Chapter 90—			
Highway		2,157.30	
Chapter 464		3,102.79	
		<hr/>	\$ 7,417.40

## Licenses:

## Selectmen's Department

Pedlars	20.00
Revolver	86.00
Sunday Theatre	104.00
Dance	54.00
Garage	60.00
Victuallers	89.40
Theatre	20.00
Lodging House	2.00

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Innholder	9.34	
Gas Tank	15.00	
Sunday Soda	85.00	
Telephone Co.		
Permit	15.00	
Entertainment	30.00	
Package—Malt Bev-		
erages & Wines	225.00	
Package—Intoxi-		
cating Liquors	1,600.00	
Package—Drug-		
gists	200.00	
Hotels and Resta-		
urants—Intoxica-		
ting Liquors	4,600.00	
Restaurants—		
Malt Beverages		
and Wine	1,872.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,086.74

#### Health Department

Manicure	\$13.00	
Ice Cream	3.00	
Bottling	90.00	
Undertakers	3.00	
Alcohol	6.00	
Slaughtering	10.00	
Milk and Oleo	36.00	
Pasteurization	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 181.00

#### Town Clerk

Auctioneer	\$8.00	
Junk	44.00	
Pool and Billiards	48.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 100.00



## Chief of Fire Department

Fireworks Permits	\$7.00	
Oil Burner Permits	109.50	
Dynamite Permit	.50	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 117.00

## Fines and Forfeits

Court Fines	\$1,840.41	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 1,840.41

Total General Revenue \$487,278.10

## Commercial Revenue

## Special Assessments

Sewer Rentals	\$7,614.58	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 7,614.58
		<u>          </u> \$ 7,614.58

## Departmental

## General Government

## Collector

Demands	\$60.90	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 60.90

## Town Clerk

Sale of Paper	\$ .20	
	<u>          </u>	\$ .20

## Selectmen

Sale of Signs	\$4.73	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 4.73

## Town Hall

Rent	\$167.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 167.00

## Memorial Building

Rent	\$760.53	
	<hr/>	\$ 760.53

## Protection of Persons and Property

Police	2.65	
Ambulance	195.00	
Sealer Weights		
and Measures	174.00	
Fire Department	175.20	
	<hr/>	\$ 546.85

## Health Department

District Nurse	\$169.50	
Dental Clinic	89.75	
Contagious Diseases	400.23	
Tuberculosis	1,615.13	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,274.61

## Highway

Use of Roller	\$70.00	
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## Public Welfare

Infirmary		
Sale of Produce	\$241.26	
	<hr/>	\$ 241.26

## Reimbursement for Relief

Cities and Towns	\$3,137.87	
State	12,827.72	
Individuals	22.00	
Old Age Assistance		
State	7,002.75	
Cities and Towns	386.87	
Individuals	451.26	
Mothers' Aid		
State	1,176.86	
	<hr/>	\$ 25,005.33

## Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid	\$730.00
Military Aid	67.50
Soldiers' Burial	113.00
Soldiers' Relief	94.25

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\$ 1,004.75

## Schools

State Wards	\$224.35
Other Tuition	2,307.48
Books and Supplies	16.89
All Other	93.61

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\$ 2,642.33

## Library

Fines	\$326.44
All Other	7.56

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\$ 334.00

## Playgrounds

Rent of Playgrounds	\$65.00
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\$ 65.00

## Park

Ellinwood Country	
Club Receipts	\$526.55
Sale of Lumber	4.60

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\$ 531.15

## Athol &amp; Orange Transportation Area

Sale of Rails	\$632.79
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\$ 632.79

## Unclassified

Receipts, 200th Anni- versary Committee	\$260.84
John J. MacKay— Land Purchase	150.00

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\$ 410.84

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\$ 34,752.27

## Water Department

Sale of Water \$47,789.02

Water Real Estate

Liens 225.49

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\$ 48,014.51

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## Cemeteries

Sale of Lots \$400.00

Care of Lots 545.25

Opening of Graves 1,342.00

Setting Foundations 274.75

Rebuilding Lots 87.60

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\$ 2,649.60

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\$ 2,649.60

## Interest

Taxes \$5,100.14

Tax Titles 513.32

Water Bonds 57.60

Sewer Note 1.17

Relief Loan 189.96

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\$ 5,862.19

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\$ 5,862.19

## Municipal Indebtedness

Temporary Loans

in Anticipation

of Revenue \$150,000.00

Tax Title Loan 5,000.00

Municipal Relief

Loan 21,000.00

Water Filtration

Loan 57,000.00

Sewer Loan 2,000.00

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\$235,000.00

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\$235,000.00

Agency, Trust and Investment Agency  
 State, County and Bank Taxes, included  
 in General Tax Receipts

Trusts

Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$1,255.00	
Income, Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,902.07	
Cemetery General Care	805.00	
Income, Spaight School	30.23	
Income, Tomb Fund	40.00	
Income, General Care Fund	20.00	
County Dog Tax	1,571.60	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,623.90
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		\$ 5,623.90

Refunds and Transfers

Refunds:

Public Welfare	\$94.10	
School	1.00	
Assessors	2.91	
Old Age Assistance	17.00	
Highway	35.59	
Tailings	89.40	
Insurance Premium	214.48	
A. & O. Airport	30.00	
Soldiers' Relief	6.00	
Other Finance Offices & Accounts	21.00	
Sewer	2.39	
U. S. Veterans' 104th Reunion	17.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 531.62
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		\$ 531.62

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\$827,326.77



Cash Balance January 1, 1935	\$86,576.81	
	<hr/>	\$ 86,576.81
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		\$913,903.58

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### Expenditures

#### Legislative

##### Advisory Committee

Printing	\$49.35	
Postage	3.00	
Telephone	6.50	
Clerks	27.00	
Travel	15.00	
Water Filtration Exp.	10.00	
All Other	6.40	
	<hr/>	\$ 117.25

#### Selectmen's Department

Salaries	\$877.50	
Clerk	120.00	
Stationery & Postage	26.75	
Printing & Advertising	157.82	
Telephone	53.86	
Posting Warrants	15.00	
Transportation	27.35	
All Other	6.26	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,284.54

#### Accounting Department

Salary	\$1,700.00	
Clerk	317.60	
Office Supplies	238.71	
Printing & Advertising	49.92	
Stationery & Postage	2.20	
All Other	10.10	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,318.53

**Treasurer's Department**

Salary	\$630.00	
Stationery & Postage	232.65	
Printing & Advertising	31.72	
Surety Bond	206.00	
Office Supplies	10.70	
Telephone	3.40	
Travel	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,122.47

**Collector's Department**

Salary	\$2,091.69	
Clerks	665.80	
Stationery & Postage	411.18	
Recording Deeds and Abstracts	8.76	
Printing & Advertising	217.06	
Surety Bond	412.00	
Office Supplies	185.89	
Travel	7.62	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,000.00

**Assessor's Department**

Salaries & Auto		
Hire	\$1,665.00	
Clerks	1,360.05	
Office Supplies	87.75	
Printing & Advertising	74.02	
Telephone	67.20	
Association Meetings	88.11	
Abstracts	156.82	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,498.95

**Other Finance Offices and Accounts**

Certifying Notes	\$58.00	
Printing	22.59	
Advertising	8.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 89.09

## Town Solicitor

Salary	\$180.00	
Expense of Lawsuits	118.40	
	<hr/>	\$ 298.40

## Town Clerk's Department

Salary	\$112.50	
Recording Fees	423.25	
Stationery & Postage	38.74	
Printing & Advertising	51.75	
Telephone	32.10	
Office Supplies	205.81	
Bond	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 869.15

## E. R. A. Town Clerk Project

Materials	\$7.73	
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## E. R. A. Draftsmen and Statistical Project

Materials	\$46.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 46.75

## Elections and Registration

Registrars, Salaries	\$306.00	
Election Officers	211.90	
Printing & Advertising	142.74	
Stationery & Postage	4.50	
Office Supplies	40.80	
Meals	12.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 717.94

## Town Hall and Municipal Offices

Custodian	\$1,326.00	
Janitors	1,142.50	
Telephone	30.05	

Fuel	863.12
Janitor Supplies	148.74
Light	814.08
Repairs, Memorial	
Building	209.16
Repairs, Town Hall	23.76
Water	50.41
Sewer Rental	27.50
Insurance	60.29
Signs	3.75
Rent of Amplifier	10.00

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\$ 4,709.36

Total for General Government 

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 \$ 19,080.16

### Protection of Persons and Property

#### Police Department

Chief	\$1,861.50
Patrolmen	8,630.46
Special Policemen	1,048.76
Motor Equipment	393.76
Gasoline & Oil	366.85
Care of Lockup	85.00
Equipment for Men	46.98
Signal & Traffic	
Signs	213.33
Light	64.88
Repairs	32.99
Janitor Supplies	31.87
Water	12.00
Stationery & Postage	44.50
Telephone	145.41
Food for Prisoners	48.85
Office Supplies	33.27
Other Employees	3.25
All Other	32.42

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\$ 13,096.08

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\$ 13,096.08

## Purchase and Maintenance of Ambulance

## Purchase of Am-

bulance	\$2,200.00	
Insurance	110.80	
Gasoline & Oil	22.00	
Repairs	17.60	
Chauffeurs	10.92	
Supplies	361.45	
Laundry	1.63	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,724.40
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		\$ 2,724.40

## Fire Department

## Salaries &amp; Wages

Chief	\$1,992.28	
Deputies	696.48	
Chauffeurs	6,098.75	
Call Men	6,815.84	
Special Duty	234.63	
Auto Hire	20.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 15,858.48

## Equipment

Hose	\$935.78	
Apparatus	226.31	
Equipment for Men	338.12	
Automobile	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,800.21

## Maintenance &amp; Repairs

Repairs	\$983.05	
Gasoline & Oil	226.12	
New Hydrants and		
Repairs	276.60	
Hydrant Service	2,500.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,985.77



## Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds

Repairs	\$470.89	
Furniture and Furnishings	54.06	
Laundry	49.65	
Janitor & Supplies	128.75	
Water	42.00	
Sewer Rental	7.50	
Fuel	952.52	
Light	177.30	
		\$ 1,882.67

## Other Expenses

Stationery and Postage	\$19.75	
Telephone	132.74	
Lunch	31.10	
Medical	2.54	
Office Supplies	14.15	
All Other	20.50	
		\$ 220.78

Total Fire \$ 23,747.91

## Fire Alarm System

Superintendent	\$337.52	
Assistant Superintendent	142.52	
Power	123.00	
Special Duty	25.88	
Equipment & Repairs	261.93	
Rent	1.00	
		\$ 891.85
		\$ 891.85

## Forest Fires

Warden	\$104.85		
Fighting Fires	232.24		
Apparatus & Repairs	225.30		
Gasoline & Oil	50.68		
Food	4.75		
		\$	617.82
		\$	617.82

## Sealer Weights &amp; Measures

Salary	\$450.00		
Printing & Advertising	1.25		
Automobile	225.00		
Equipment	15.26		
Stationery & Postage	7.42		
		\$	698.93
		\$	698.93

## Planting &amp; Trimming Trees

Salary, Warden	\$ 22.50		
Labor, Warden	458.66		
Labor	261.85		
Veterans' Hire	495.90		
Truck Expense	61.72		
Insurance	101.93		
Hardware & Tools	146.81		
Loam	.50		
Surgical Work on Trees	61.00		
Stationery & Postage	7.84		
Trees	7.00		
Insecticide	46.47		
All Other	4.27		
		\$	1,676.45
		\$	1,676.45

## Gypsy &amp; Browntail Moth

Superintendent	\$357.25		
Labor	1,140.40		
Veterans' Hire	199.87		
Auto Hire	124.16		
Insurance	143.83		
Tools	3.47		
Insecticide	220.07		
Printing	5.25		
		\$	2,194.30
		\$	2,194.30

## Dog Officer

Salary	\$25.50		
Transportation	20.00		
		\$	45.50
		\$	45.50

## Health &amp; Sanitation

## Health

Salaries	\$495.00		
Stationery & Postage	7.88		
Printing and			
Advertising	16.83		
Telephone	9.07		
All Other	22.99		
		\$	551.77

## Quarantine &amp; Contagious Diseases

Medical Attendance	\$236.50		
Medicine & Drugs	5.39		
Posting Houses	3.50		
Dry Goods and			
Clothing	48.99		
Groceries and			
Provisions	2.00		
Board & Treatment	192.57		
All Other	28.26		
		\$	517.21

## Tuberculosis

Board and

Treatment \$6,678.25

County Hospital

Assessment \$12,415.50

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\$ 19,093.75

## Vital Statistics

Recording Births \$33.75

Recording Deaths 26.75

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\$ 60.50

## Other Expenses

Rent of Dump \$150.00

Vaccination 6.00

Repairs of Pest

House 201.35

Use of Ambulance 25.00

Bottling License Fees 40.00

All Other 9.55

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\$ 431.90

## Inspection

Inspector of

Children \$225.00

Inspector of

Animals, Salary 270.00

Inspector of Milk 225.00

Inspector of

Milk, Expenses 19.48

Inspector of

Meat, Salary 211.00

Inspector of

Meat, Expenses 204.75

Inspector of

Plumbing 90.00

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\$ 1,245.23

## District Nurse

Salary	\$1,657.50	
Telephone	68.16	
Supplies	129.16	
Auto Maintenance	355.48	
Postage	5.25	
All Other	11.20	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,226.75

## Dental Clinic for School

Labor	\$1,063.50	
Supplies	122.03	
Laundry	21.10	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,206.63

## Sewer Maintenance

Commissioners	\$265.00	
Superintendent	270.00	
Labor	271.21	
Trucks & Auto Hire	77.97	
Pipe & Fittings	92.23	
Tools & Equipment	53.11	
Insurance	39.72	
Water	300.00	
Printing	10.25	
Office Expense	23.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,402.49

## Sewer Extensions

Labor	\$10.63	
Trucks & Auto Hire	3.45	
Pipe & Fittings	351.81	
	<hr/>	\$ 365.89

## Sewer Extensions

Fairgrounds to Spring Street		
Labor	\$38.60	



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Surveys	237.00	
Pipe & Fittings	621.62	
Brick	144.25	
Tools and Equipment	370.35	
Car Hire	352.33	
Medical	.75	
All Other	6.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,771.40

Garbage Disposal	\$1,500.00	
Refuse Disposal	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,000.00

Total Health & Sanitation 

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 \$ 30,873.52

## Highways

### General Administration

Surveyor	\$1,955.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,955.00

### General Maintenance

Labor	21,186.38
Veterans' Hire	4,776.03
Teams & Trucks	3,675.49
Broken Stone and Gravel	976.20
Signs	61.06
Equipment and Repairs	8,306.77
Surveying	830.51
Gasoline & Oil	2,546.53
Insurance	1,747.22
Water	18.74
Lumber	577.93
Telephone	40.10

Electric Power and		
Lights	323.31	
Drinking Fountains	158.18	
Fuel	58.00	
Fence Materials	681.04	
Tarvia & Road Oil	964.35	
Calcium Chloride	307.13	
All Other	34.53	
	<hr/>	\$ 47,269.50

## Sidewalk Repairs

Labor	\$276.68	
Materials	36.39	
	<hr/>	\$ 313.07

## Oiling Streets

Oil Sprayed	\$3,500.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,500.00

## Chapter 464 Acts of 1935

## White Pond Road

Labor	\$2,213.50	
Trucks	530.00	
Tools and		
Materials	129.80	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,873.30

## Chapter 90 Highway

## South Athol Road

Labor	\$1,627.90	
Painting Traffic		
Lines	67.63	
Fence	128.19	
Gravel	65.50	
Tarvia	602.20	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,491.42

## New Sherbourne Road

Labor	\$60.74	
Tarvia	534.62	
	<hr/>	\$ 595.36

## Royalston Road

Labor	\$973.43	
Tarvia	476.94	
Pipe & Culverts	370.00	
Painting Traffic		
Lines	56.25	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,876.62

## Street Lighting

Street Lights	\$11,498.21	
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## Highway New Equipment

New Trucks	\$2,465.00	
New Snow Plows	285.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,750.00

Total Highway Department	<hr/>	\$ 75,122.48
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## Charities

## Public Welfare

## General Administration

Salaries & Wages	\$3,072.97	
Printing, Stationery		
and Postage	194.11	
Telephone	91.13	
E. R. A. Expenses	462.91	
All Other	279.29	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,100.41

## Outside Relief by Town

## Groceries and

Provisions	\$24,329.28
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Fuel	1,559.13	
Board & Care	8,557.15	
Medicine & Medical		
Attendance	7,767.82	
Clothing	1,822.16	
State Institutions	1,668.96	
Rent	5,875.16	
Burial of Paupers	364.00	
Transportation of		
Paupers	768.53	
Household		
Necessities	40.39	
	<hr/>	\$ 52,752.58

## Relief by Other Cities and Towns

Cities	\$1,733.76	
Towns	1,379.07	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,112.83

## Mother's Aid

By Town	\$1,274.84	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,274.84

## Infirmary

Superintendent	\$702.00	
Other Employees	675.67	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,377.67

## Other Expenses

Groceries and		
Provisions	\$2,771.48	
Dry Goods and		
Clothing	185.39	
Buildings	571.98	
Fuel & Light	1,254.32	
Auto	583.63	
Gasoline & Oil	777.66	

## Equipment and

Repairs	674.19
Medical Supplies	326.15
Insurance	68.70
Veterinary	11.00
Taxes	9.40
Telephone	54.35
Fertilizer	96.99
All Other	14.18

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\$ 7,399.42

## Total Public Welfare

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\$ 70,017.75

## Old Age Assistance

Cash Grants	\$20,475.50
Other Cities & Towns	963.01
Board & Care	546.29
All Other	908.25

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\$ 22,893.05

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\$ 22,893.05

## Soldiers' Relief

Cash Aid	\$1,934.80
Fuel	1,267.00
Rent	1,617.97
Medical Attendance	1,659.57
Clothing	428.42
Groceries and Provisions	5,037.59

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\$ 11,945.35

## Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid	\$540.00
Military Aid	245.00
Soldiers' Burial	50.00

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\$ 835.00

## Total Soldiers' Benefits

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\$ 12,780.35



**Education and Libraries****School Department****General**

Superintendent and		
Auto	\$3,600.00	
Secretary & Clerk	1,817.85	
Truant Officer and		
Auto	1,400.00	
Nurse & Auto	1,200.00	
Office Supplies	156.77	
Stationery, Printing		
and Postage	135.34	
Telephone	415.69	
Traveling	122.57	
Athletics	999.69	
School Census	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,922.91

**Teachers' Salaries**

High	\$26,589.10	
<b>Elementary</b>	<b>56,956.10</b>	
Music & Auto, Draw-		
ing, Sewing,		
Writing	1,600.00	
Evening School	131.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 85,276.20

**Text Books and Supplies**

High		
Text Books	\$877.37	
All Other	1,922.03	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,799.40
Elementary		
Text Books	\$1,887.67	
All Other	2,780.81	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,668.48

## Tuition

High	\$235.38
Elementary	812.06
Vocational	328.80

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\$ 1,376.24

## Transportation

High	\$561.57
Elementary	6,510.00

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\$ 7,071.57

## Janitor Service

High	\$1,879.94
Elementary	6,446.09
Evening	170.00

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\$ 8,496.03

## Fuel &amp; Lights

High	\$2,015.86
Elementary	5,255.30

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\$ 7,271.16

## Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds

## High

Repairs	\$1,853.09
Janitor Supplies	30.01
All Other	72.49

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\$ 1,955.59

## Elementary

Repairs	\$3,530.43
Janitor Supplies	628.66
All Other	215.55

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\$ 4,374.64

## Furniture and Furnishings

High	576.82
Elementary	396.03

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\$ 972.85

## Other Expenses

Manual Training	\$56.29	
Rent	85.00	
Graduation	200.99	
School Nurse		
Supplies	62.66	
School Physician		
Expenses	200.00	
All Other	16.79	
	<hr/>	\$ 621.73

## Spaight Income Fund

Prizes	\$30.23	
	<hr/>	\$ 30.23

Total School Department 

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 \$134,837.03

## Library

## Salaries and Wages

Librarian	\$1,700.00	
Assistants	1,297.77	
Janitor	517.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,514.77

## Books and Periodicals

Books	\$1,113.75	
Periodicals	135.25	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,249.00

## Binding

Books	\$187.67	
	<hr/>	\$ 187.67

## Fuel and Light

Fuel	\$487.95	
Lights	144.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 632.46

## Building

Repairs	\$27.61	
Water	12.00	
Sewer Rentals	5.00	
		\$ 44.61

## Other Expenses

Stationery, Printing & Postage	\$42.02	
Telephone	30.36	
Office Supplies	264.57	
Janitor's Supplies	8.12	
Furniture and Furnishings	18.50	
All Other	7.87	
		\$ 371.44

Total Library Department \$ 5,999.95

## Parks and Playgrounds

Superintendent	\$358.95	
Labor	1,185.90	
Veterans' Hire	998.64	
Equipment	826.07	
Insurance	43.44	
Sewer	17.50	
Gravel and Sand	77.25	
Lighting	22.98	
Truck	60.50	
Plants, Seed and Spraying	76.50	
Drinking Fountain	59.57	
Water	34.69	
Fuel	61.03	
Telephone	32.50	
Lumber	13.68	
Medical	4.10	
All Other	105.87	
		\$ 3,979.17

## Park Betterment—Fish Park

Settees	\$111.22	
Lumber	7.88	
Loam	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 149.10

## Band Concerts

Music	\$200.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 200.00

Total Parks and Recreation 

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 \$ 4,328.27

## Unclassified

## Printing Town

Reports	\$459.80	
Insurance	3,963.00	
Town Clock	25.00	
L. Jennings Annuity	120.00	
Care of Soldiers'		
Graves	47.50	
Census	268.39	
Durkee Damage Claim	154.77	
Engineer's Services	40.00	
Hospital		
Louis Pasteur	102.76	
All Other	19.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,200.97

## Memorial Day

## Sons of Union

Veterans	\$184.55	
Spanish War Veterans	17.52	
Veterans of Foreign		
Wars	22.70	
American Legion	19.59	
	<hr/>	\$ 244.36



## Investigating Committee

## Gas and Electricity

Expenses \$376.80

\$ 376.80

## Athol Water Department

## 1934 Bill Against Fire

## Department for Broken

Hydrants &amp; Repairs \$126.01

\$ 126.01

## Dr. J. H. Meany

## 1934 Expenses &amp; Services

for Extra Inspection \$30.00

\$ 30.00

## Weyburne B. Sheldon

Damage Claim \$1,000.00

\$ 1,000.00

## Coolidge Parkway

Damage Claims \$350.00

\$ 350.00

## 104th U. S. Veterans' Reunion

## Printing and

Advertising \$166.91

Food 38.84

Clerical 20.00

All Other 7.00

\$ 232.75

## 200th Anniversary of Settlement Town of Athol

## Printing and

Advertising \$113.75

Labor 87.55

Trucking	50.50
Music	60.00
Supplies	284.09
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	\$ 595.89

# Estimated Undetermined E. R. A. & W. P. A. Projects

Moth	\$440.95
Sewing	107.54
Main Street Wall	199.53
Silver Lake Cemetery	1,078.87
Fairgrounds	
Field House	1,497.38
Main Street Drain	709.27
Fairgrounds	2,315.00
Federal Housing	35.96
Administration	787.87
Town Infirmary	350.13
Highland Cemetery	39.03
Memorial Building	299.17
Lenox Street	494.46
Fire Station No. 1	2,507.00
Fire Station No. 2	123.75
Draftsmen and	
Statistics	73.31
Book Binding	52.65
Welfare Wood	583.17
Recreation	45.20
Ellinwood Country Club	395.12
Tree Pest Control	29.60
Sidewalks	2,118.41
Soldiers' Relief Transportation and	
Inspection	100.00
Paint for Highways	23.45
Water Hole	136.77

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Cemetery Wing Walls	5.50
North Orange Road	281.90
School Repairs	125.22
Welfare Land Clearing	58.49
Infirmary Septic Tank	101.65

\$ 15,116.35

Total Unclassified \$ 23,273.13

## Water Department

### Administration

Superintendent	\$2,125.00
Clerks	2,356.04
Stationery and Postage	271.48
Printing and Advertising	65.41
Telephone	161.68
Insurance	758.65
Bond for Clerk	30.00
Phillipston Taxes	190.80
Office Supplies	302.42
All Other	64.27

\$ 6,325.75

### General

Labor	\$14,729.13
Pipe & Fittings	2,135.33
Meters & Fittings	415.67
Equipment and Repairs	1,798.59
Fuel, Lights and Power	306.96
Automobiles	891.23
Gas & Oil	589.28

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Sewer Rental	2.50	
Repairs on Buildings	750.66	
	<hr/>	\$ 21,619.35

Service Connections

Labor	\$1,667.15	
Pipe & Fittings	640.59	
All Other	182.69	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,490.43

New Equipment

Ford Truck	\$350.00	
Power Spraying Machine	1,187.02	
Hose & Coupling	683.55	
Ford Coupe	680.60	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,901.17

Water Central Filtration Plant

Expenses re Notes and Bonds	\$212.24	
Land Purchase	75.00	
All Other	6.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 293.99

Total Water Department	<hr/>	\$ 33,630.69
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Cemeteries

Superintendent	\$1,547.00	
Clerk	405.00	
Labor	3,732.35	
Veterans' Hire	500.00	
Advertising	5.00	
Office Supplies	116.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,305.86

## Other Expenses

Truck	\$283.73	
Gasoline & Oil	330.51	
Loam	500.00	
Shrubs, etc.	54.88	
Tools and Equipment	575.95	
Insurance	95.81	
Water	40.00	
Travel	24.50	
Medical	2.19	
Fuel	7.05	
Fertilizer	87.50	
All Other	15.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,017.87

## New Equipment

Truck	\$1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00

Total Cemetery Department 

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 \$ 9,323.73

## Interest

## Temporary Loans—

Banks	\$459.21	
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## General Loans

Memorial Building	\$3,225.00	
Municipal Land	340.00	
Emergency Relief	700.00	
Playgrounds Loan	406.25	
Tax Title Loan	12.45	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,683.70



## Public Service Enterprises

Water \$1,720.00

Sewer 1,903.00

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\$ 3,623.00

Total Interest

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\$ 8,765.91

## Municipal Indebtedness

## Temporary Loans in Anticipation of

Revenue \$175,000.00

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\$175,000.00

## General Loans

Municipal Land \$4,000.00

Memorial

Building 12,500.00

Emergency Loan 10,000.00

Playground Loan 3,000.00

Tax Title Loan 5,000.00

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\$ 34,500.00

## Public Service Enterprises

Water \$19,000.00

Sewer 4,000.00

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\$ 23,000.00

Total Payments Municipal In-

debtedness 

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\$232,500.00

## Agency, Trust and Investment Taxes

State Tax \$17,900.00

County Tax 19,276.00

State Parks and

Reservations 194.28

Dog Licenses for

County 1,571.60

Veterans' Exemption 20.73

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\$ 38,962.61

## Perpetual Care Funds

## Cemetery Perpetual

Care \$1,325.00

## Interest Perpetual

Care 3.57

## Cemetery General

Care 735.00

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\$ 2,063.57

## Total Agency, Trust and

## Investment Funds

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\$ 41,026.18

## Refunds and Transfers

## Refunds

Auto Excise \$317.44

Property Taxes-1934 33.00

## Old Age Assistance

Tax 39.00

School Tuition 78.40

License 1.00

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\$ 468.84

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\$ 468.84

## Total

\$770,614.28

## Cash Balance December 31, 1935

143,289.30

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\$913,903.58

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# APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (continued)

	Appropriation	Additions and Transfers	Expended	Balance
Purchase of Ambulance and maintenance	3,000.00		2,724.40	275.60
Fire Department	20,000.00 (A)	700.00	20,671.31	28.69
New Equipment Fire Department	300.00		300.00	
Fire Alarm	900.00		891.85	8.15
Forest Fire	600.00 (A)	19.00	617.82	1.18
Hydrant Rentals	2,500.00		2,500.00	
New Hydrants	300.00		276.60	23.40
Sealer Weights and Measures	700.00		698.93	1.07
Moth Department	2,000.00		1,994.43	5.57
Moth Veterans' Hire	200.00		199.87	.13
Tree Warden	1,170.90 (A)	12.00	1,180.55	1.45
Tree Veterans' Hire	500.00		495.90	4.10
Dog Officer	45.50		45.50	
Health Department	9,000.00		8,989.86	10.14
School Physician	225.00		225.00	
Inspector of Animals	270.00		270.00	
Sewer Maintenance	2,200.00		1,402.49	797.51
Sewer Extensions	(B)	12,054.88	365.89	11688.99

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (continued)

	Appropriation	Additions and Transfers	Expended	Balance
Sewer Extensions—Fair				
Grounds to Spring Street	(B)	2,081.41	1,771.40	310.01
Garbage Disposal	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Refuse Disposal	500.00		500.00	
Dental Clinic	1,150.00	56.70	1,206.63	.07
District Nurse	2,250.00		2,226.75	23.25
Highway Department	46,500.00	1.18	44,448.47	2052.71
Highway Veterans' Hire	5,800.00		4,776.03	1023.97
Highway New Equipment	2,750.00		2,750.00	
Chapter 464, Acts of 1935		3,102.79	2,873.30	229.49
E.R.A. Winter Street Project	(C)	300.00		300.00
Sidewalk Repairs	400.00		313.07	86.93
Oiling Streets	3,500.00		3,500.00	
Chapter 90 Roadwork	500.00			
	(C)	850.00		
Street Lighting	(B)	3,701.16	4,963.40	87.76
Public Welfare			11,498.21	1.79
Old Age Assistance	(E)	65.90	70,017.75	48.15
	(A)	2,000.00		
	(E)	17.00	22,893.05	2123.95
	(N)	8,000.00		



# APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (continued)

	Appropriation	Additions and		Expended	Balance
		Transfers			
State Aid	750.00			540.00	210.00
Military Aid	300.00			245.00	55.00
Soldiers' Relief	13,000.00	(E)	6.00	11,945.35	1060.65
Soldiers' Burial	200.00			50.00	150.00
School Department	134,477.00	(E)	1.00	134,478.00	
Vocational Training	350.00			328.80	21.20
Library Department	4,868.37	(D)	1,131.63	5,999.95	.05
Park Department	3,000.00			2,980.53	19.47
Park Betterment—Fish Park		(B)	151.53	149.10	2.43
E.R.A. Athol & Orange Airport		(B)	68.18		68.18
Estimated, Undetermined Projects	25,000.00	(B)	6,580.03	15,116.35	16463.68
Unclassified	2,000.00			1,343.87	656.13
Care of Town Clock	25.00			25.00	
Care of Soldiers' Graves	50.00			47.50	2.50
Band Concerts	200.00			200.00	
Committee to Investigate					
Gas and Electric Rates		(B)	434.00	376.80	57.20
Insurance	4,000.00			3,963.00	37.00
Memorial Day	275.00			244.36	30.64
Lyman Jennings Annuity	120.00			120.00	

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (continued)

	Appropriation	Additions and Transfers	Expended	Balance
Water Department 1934 Bill				
Against Fire Department	126.01		126.01	
Animal Inspector's 1934 Expenses	30.00		30.00	
Observance of the 200th Settlement of the Town of Athol		(A) 300.00		
		(F) 295.89	595.89	
16th Annual Convention 104th U.S. Inf. Veterans' Association				
A. E. F.		(F) 215.00		
		(E) 17.75	232.75	
Land Damage Coolidge Parkway				
Water Department		(F) 350.00	350.00	
Water New Equipment		(H) 37,000.00	30,435.53	6564.47
Water Central Filtration Plant		(H) 3,000.00	2,901.17	98.83
County Commissioners for T.B.		(G) 57,000.00	293.99	56706.01
Cemetery Department	12,415.50		12,415.50	
New Equipment Cemetery	8,000.00		7,823.73	176.27
Cemetery Veterans' Hire	1,000.00		1,000.00	
	500.00		500.00	

# APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (continued)

	Appropriation	Additions and Transfers	Expended	Balance
Interest on Permanent Loans	6,551.25	(H) 1,720.00		
		(J) 22.33		
		(K) 1.17		
		(L) 189.96		
		(M) 57.60	8,294.75	247.56
Interest on Temporary Loans	4,000.00			
Town Debt	33,500.00	(H) 19,000.00	471.66	3528.34
(A) Reserve Transfer		(H) Water Available Surplus	52,500.00	
(B) Balance, January 1, 1935		(J) Sewer Available Surplus		
(C) From State and County		(K) Accrued Interest—Sewer		
(D) County Dog Fund		(L) Accrued Interest and Premium.		
(E) Refunds		Chapter 188 Loan		
(F) Available Cash A & O		(M) Accrued Interest and Premium,		
		—Water Loan		
(G) Bonds		(N) Overlay Surplus		

# Balance Sheet, December 31, 1935

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REVENUE ACCOUNT		Liabilities	
Assets			
Cash		Revenue Appropriations:	
Available	\$133,703.89	Sewer Extensions	\$ 11,688.99
In Closed Banks	9,585.41	Interest Permanent Loans	247.56
	<u>          </u>	Water Central Filtration	
	\$143,289.30	Plant	56,706.01
Accounts Receivable		E.R.A. Winter Street	300.00
Taxes		Chapter 464	229.49
Levy of 1934	\$ 18,754.49	Estimated, Undetermined	
Levy of 1935	73,046.85	Projects	16,463.68
Motor Vehicle		Committee to Investigate	
Excise, 1934	732.30	Gas & Electric Rents	57.20
Motor Vehicle		Chapter 90 Roadwork	87.76
Excise, 1935	1,825.77	Park Betterment	
Sewer Rentals		Fish Park	2.43
1934	423.50	Sewer Available Surplus	2,808.64
Sewer Rentals		Water Available Surplus	24,042.24
1935	1,647.17	Athol & Orange Trans.	
	<u>          </u>	Area Surplus	282.79
	\$ 96,430.08		

## BALANCE SHEET, December 31, 1935 (continued)

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Water Accounts			
Receivable	\$ 11,863.98		Overlay Surplus 6,743.10
Water Real Estate			Excess & Deficiency 57,378.97
Liens	551.96		Special Assessment Revenue 2,070.67
	_____ \$ 12,415.94		Water Revenue 12,415.94
Departmental Bills			Departmental Revenue 13,232.72
State & Military			Excise Tax Revenue 2,558.07
Aid	\$ 878.96		Tax Title Revenue 6,310.45
Soldiers' Burial	50.00		Overlay, 1934 3,592.94
Public Welfare	6,994.76		Overlay, 1935 5,113.57
Old Age			Temporary Loan 50,000.00
Assistance	712.50		Tailings 213.75
School	751.39		Reserve for Cash in Closed Banks 9,585.41
Cemetery	1,615.25		
Health	2,229.86		
	_____ \$ 13,232.72		
1932 Sewer Loan			
Bonds Authorized			
but unissued	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Chapter 90 Highway			
State	\$ 139.95		



# BALANCE SHEET, December 31, 1935 (continued)

County	139.94	
	<hr/>	\$ 279.89
Tax Title		
Accounts	\$ 6,310.45	\$ 6,310.45
Old Age Assistance		
Taxes Abated	174.00	174.00
	<hr/>	\$282,132.38

## BALANCE SHEET, December 31, 1935 (continued)

Debt	Liabilities	199
Sewer Loan	Sewer Loans	\$ 14,000.00
Sinking Fund	Water Loans	24,000.00
Cash and	Sewer Extensions Loans	30,000.00
Securities	Memorial Building Loan	51,000.00
Net Bonded	Memorial Building Loan	16,000.00
Debt	Municipal Land Loan	4,000.00
	Emergency Welfare Loan	10,000.00
	Playgrounds Loan	11,000.00
	Municipal Relief Loans 1935	21,000.00
	Water Central Filtration	
	Plant Loan	57,000.00
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		\$238,000.00

# BALANCE SHEET, December 31, 1935 (continued)

## TRUST FUNDS

Cash and  
Securities

\$ 92,784.49

L. Ward School Fund	\$ 1,030.23
Spaight School Fund	1,000.00
A. Harding Library Fund	355.33
George & Nancy Knight Sprague Fund	3,807.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	82,469.57
Cemetery General Care Fund	2,988.69
Cemetery Tomb Funds	1,133.67
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	\$ 92,784.49

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WILLIAM K. WHEELER,

Town Accountant.

## ATHOL AND ORANGE TRANSPORTATION AREA

### Liquidating Trustees

#### Cash Receipts—Jan. 15, 1934 to Jan. 2, 1936

Cash balance	\$2,715.86	
Rent	121.50	
Rebate Employers Lia. Ins.	193.40	
Accounts Receivable (boiler sale)	275.00	
Sale Barn and Land	400.00	
Sale Cottage House	1,300.00	
Interest on deposits	186.33	
		\$5,192.09

#### Cash Expense—Jan. 15, 1934 to Jan. 2, 1936

Taxes, 1933	\$254.40	
Taxes, 1934	156.67	
Commissions, Sales Real Estate	125.00	
Office expenses	28.03	
Water Rent	5.50	
Legal expense, Deed, etc.	2.50	
Due from Receiver Athol Nat'l Bank	555.51	
Balance of Cash to Town Treasurer	4,064.48	
		\$5,192.09

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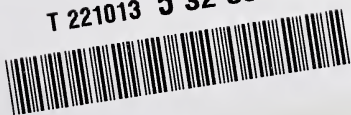








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